

SCOTCH RISES 25c MARCH 1

The price of Scotch whisky is going up — but only by about 25 cents and not before March 1.

A spokesman for the B.C. liquor administration branch said Scotch whisky exporters were increasing their wholesale prices between 15 and 20 per cent.

But because the price to the distiller is only a small part of the cost of Scotch, the result will be about 25 cents per bottle.

This would push the LAB retail price to about \$8.15 from \$7.90.

The boost was the second

one by the Scotch distillers this year. Wholesale prices went up by about 20 per cent last April.

However, the LAB last spring bought up enough Scotch at the lower price to last until Christmas and there was no increase in the retail price this year.

Stocks are on hand at the post-April price (before the latest increase) to last until the end of February. Prices would increase brand by brand as supplies are exhausted.

The increases will be identical in all countries where Scotch is exported.

Tanker Oil Spill 100 Miles Long

Times News Service

NANTUCKET, Mass. — The bow section of the Liberian tanker Argo Merchant, split from the grounded hulk by high seas, broke apart today and dumped the rest of its 7.6 million gallon cargo of heavy oil into the Atlantic Ocean.

Coast guard officials said the slick from the worst oil spill in the history of the U.S. Atlantic coast now stretches more than 100 miles from the wrecked tanker wedged on the Nantucket shoals 27 miles from Nantucket.

The bow, which was snapped from the ship Tuesday and part of it sank.

The sinking forced the Coast Guard to abandon plans to put men on board the ship today.

The national weather service predicted winds would push the oil away from the Massachusetts coast but close to the southern edge of the Georges Bank.

From the air, the smelly mess "looked like a mass of pancakes 20 feet in diameter," according to one coast guard spokesman.

The oil was three to five feet thick in some sections. At one point it gushed from the ship at the rate of 15,000 gallons per hour.

In Ottawa, Canadian environmental department officials said it would take unusual weather to blow heavy oil spilled from a grounded tanker on the Nantucket Shoals into Canadian waters.

However, they did not rule out a threat from the oil of the Argo Merchant spreading to the rich fishing grounds on Georges Bank and along the coastlines of the Atlantic provinces.

Earlier, Environment Minister Romeo LeBlanc told the Commons that the latest report indicated the oil was likely blowing out to sea but "storm conditions make it hard to track."

LeBlanc said Canada was prepared to help the U.S. Coast Guard with the experience it gained from the Arrow disaster in the Chedabucto Bay six years ago and other disasters.

Computer projections indicated that maximum dispersal area of the oil was within 50 miles of the wreck.

Environment officials in Ottawa and Halifax were closely monitoring the situation and were prepared to send teams to watch any U.S. cleanup.

ICBC Fee Review Planned

Education Minister Pat McGeer has agreed to a third-party review of the province's 1,700 licensed insurance agents.

McGeer, who is responsible for the Insurance Corporation of B.C., announced the review after an outcry from the agents.

A cabinet order-in-council dated Nov. 25 effectively reduced the agents' commission from a total of \$27 million in 1976 to \$21 million in 1977.

The move was taken without negotiation with the Insurance Agents' Association of B.C.

"The government's action is high-handed," said John McTavish of McTavish Insurance Agencies of Victoria.

"This is a serious loss for the agents," he said. "It means a 20 per cent reduction in income."

The reduction in commis-

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FOUR-WINGED FLYER took to the air above Golden Gardens in Seattle under control of Steve Tomaso, 20, who finds weather ideal for kites.

Banks to Cut Interest On Mortgages Jan. 1

By AL FORREST Times Staff

Canadian banks today announced the mortgage interest rate would be reduced to 10.75 per cent from 11.25 per cent effective Jan. 1. The move came after the Bank of Canada reduced its rate half a point Tuesday.

The prime lending rate will be cut to 9.25 per cent from 9.75 per cent and consumer loans are expected to fall below the 13 per cent level.

Toronto-Dominion and the Royal Bank were the first to announce reductions — this morning but others are expected before week's end.

The Royal has reduced its prime lending rate to 9.25 per cent effective Friday while the T-D rate will go to 9.25 per cent on Tuesday.

Both banks will reduce the interest they pay on non-chequing savings accounts to 6.75 per cent from 7.5 per cent, effective Jan. 1.

Special mortgages under the National Housing Act will go out at 10.5 per cent, down from 11 per cent.

Banks were charging from 12.8 per cent to 14 per cent for consumer loans but the latest drop will put the majority of loans out at the lower level within a short time.

Spokesmen for the banks said it would take time for the consumer loan reduction to take effect because of the direct relation to deposit rates.

The reduction in the Bank of Canada rate to 8.5 per cent from 9 per cent was the second cutback in one month. It had been a record 9.5 per cent until the central bank took action to loosen credit to stimulate the economy.

Normally, a reduction in interest rates creates a run on the Canadian dollar.

However, a senior Canadian foreign exchange specialist told the Times the dollar was holding remarkably well in early trading.

The dollar was 98.76 cents against the U.S. dollar before the announcement of the Bank of Canada rate reduction. The dollar immediately fell to 98.32 and went as low as 98.09

this morning before firming at 98.62.

He said there appeared to be no reason for concern despite forecasts by some bankers that the rate drop may push the dollar down to 95 cents.

Low interest rates reduce the flow of foreign currencies into Canada and this tends to push the value of the Canadian dollar down. It appears the Bank of Canada is buying dollars to prop up the value of the Canadian currency.

Gerald Bouey, governor of

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AIB Rollback In Construction Raises Queries

NEWS BRIEFS

Purse-Snatcher Gets \$510,000

LONDON (UPI) — A thief in Harrods department store stole an Iranian woman's handbag containing jewellery worth more than \$510,000, police said today.

The theft occurred Tuesday while Mrs. Homayoun Mozandi and her two children were lunching in Harrods restaurant, police said.

Painters Settle

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Painters Union, on strike since Monday, settled its contract dispute Tuesday with Construction Labor Relations Association.

Firm Gets Games

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Olympic Committee confirmed today that it had signed a "co-operation" agreement with a United States trading company for the American television rights to the 1980 Summer Games in Moscow.

Spending Cuts Pass

LONDON (CP) — The House of Commons approved the Labor government's plans to reduce public spending \$4 billion despite a rebellion by 67 leftwing Labor MPs.



Olive Diefenbaker, 78-year-old wife of former prime minister John Diefenbaker, died at 10:30 a.m. PDT today at her home. Mrs. Diefenbaker was released from hospital Tuesday to spend Christmas at home. She had spent most of the last three months in hospital, suffering from a serious heart illness.

Fishing Cover-Up Charged by Union

VANCOUVER (CP) — Homer Stevens, president of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union, Tuesday accused federal fisheries officials of covering up multinational deals on high seas fishing within Canada's new 200-mile offshore limits.

Stevens, elaborating on a statement last week that Fisheries Minister Romeo LeBlanc and his senior aides are pulling a giant hoax on the people of Canada, said he has come into possession of restricted documents which show a conspiracy.

Stevens said the minutes of a meeting of the fisheries

management executive committee in Ottawa Sept. 16-17 emphasized that problems encountered in negotiations between the countries must not be disclosed to newsmen because of the impact the news might have on bargaining.

Under the negotiations with various countries fishing the high seas, stocks which are surplus to Canadian requirements are being allocated elsewhere.

Stevens argues that the stocks are not surplus and should be harvested for Canada. Fisheries officials say the species involved, mostly groundfish, are not being caught by Canadian fishermen because there is no market for them here.

Potential Seen For Puget Spill

Times News Service

SEATTLE — Environmentalists, fishermen and tanker traffic officials here agree that the potential exists for a multi-million gallon oil spill in Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, but disagree about the likelihood of such an event.

Tanker traffic officials say rough weather and sea conditions, like those that contributed to the break-up of the tanker Argo Merchant on the East Coast, generally are not found in Northwestern waters.

It is very rare that a tanker will lose all its oil in this area," said Cmdr. Bill Perry, chief of the Marine Environmental Branch of the U.S. Coast Guard in Seattle.

He said that the technology has been developed to contain an oil spill as large as three million gallons in the state's inland waters.

He noted that the largest tankers "now allowed there carry between three and four million gallons."

"It scares me because the potential is always there," said Perry, "but it seems very unlikely."

Other state and federal officials agree and say there is no talk of reviewing contingency plans for a major oil spill in Puget Sound.

Gov.-elect Dixy Lee Ray said Tuesday night that oil spills could be combatted by implementing existing laws, ship traffic control systems and use of American ships and crews in U.S. waters.

"Naturally, I'd prefer it didn't happen, but we don't have to assume that the danger is so great that we have to stop using oil or stop shipping it in tankers," she said.

'KILLER' TRAPS LEAVE DEAD DOGS

by DEREK SIDENUS Times Staff

An angry 46-year-old Grand Forks man arrived in Victoria today to protest the lack of restrictions on trappers setting "killer" Conibear traps.

S. C. Buttram brought with him grisly evidence of the need for tougher controls — the frozen carcasses of two dogs.

Buttram, who told the Times "I'm one mad SOB", stomped into the provincial wildlife office on Wharf Street and as shocked employees looked on, dumped one of the dogs on the floor.

The animal, a purebred Treeing Walker, had a bor-

rowed trap around its neck. Buttram said the two dogs were valued at about \$2,000. Buttram said both dogs were killed about nine days ago on a trapline near Grand Forks, one in a trap set three feet from a road, the other in one set five feet in.

Wildlife officials, who had been warned Tuesday Buttram would be arriving, hastily ushered him to a basement room where he met John Bandy, assistant director of fish and wildlife.

The meeting lasted about five minutes, with Buttram arguing there should be more regulations covering traplines and Bandy and other officials

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Hospital Known As Wastebasket

Who would think that Victoria General Hospital and Sengkareng Hospital in Indonesia have much in common — but they do.

They share money problems. Don't go away yet because there are some fascinating contrasts.

Here it's been a question of where we're going to build a new Victoria General, for about \$40 million, a hospital which will have an operating budget of about \$20 million a year from the start, where care of each patient will run about \$120 a day.

In Victoria, we like to talk

in numbers when we talk hospitals — no blood, no tears, no pain, no talk back.

Sengkareng Hospital in Indonesia is called the "wastebasket" hospital because it doesn't refuse entry to any patient and collects the old, the abandoned and those beyond hope. A mobile unit picks up the desperately ill and the dying and takes them to Sengkareng.

In Indonesia, half the children die before age 5.

There's no starvation, but often because of ignorance, prejudice or for lack of the

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Years Ahead Won't Be Easy, Says Bennett

By LIZ HUGHES Times Staff

One year ago today a nervous, serious Bill Bennett was sworn in at Government House as the 28th premier of British Columbia.

Tuesday, a more confident and relaxed Bennett recounted the high spots and the low of his first year in office.

The year ahead isn't going to be easy, the premier said, but he still promises a balanced budget and no tax increases.

"We have at least turned the economy around," he declared. But he also issued a warning to organized labor in the province.

With the major forest industry contracts expiring in mid-year, he says, there is more than ever a necessity for people to make fewer demands, to "hold the line."

At the informal coffee-and-Christmas-cake news conference in his office Bennett covered a range of topics ranging from the gaffes of his government to the future of Canada.

"I'm more confident and comfortable after one year than I was in the helter skelter of forming a government just before the Christmas season," the premier said.

That "helter skelter" time produced some of Bennett's

more memorable moments — a hurried overnight trip to Ottawa for the new premier and some of his rookie cabinet ministers to talk about price controls, dealing with the massive labor disputes and upping insurance rates.

These first few days in power were also the days, as Bennett put it, "that our government became noted for some of our greatest one-liner gaffes."

Bennett says that communication with the public and the press has been his biggest failure during the year.

"Our early moves were not well explained and they were misunderstood," he said.

First there was Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm, the author of the ill-timed line that welfare recipients had better find shovels.

Vander Zalm was followed by Education Minister Pat McGeer, the man in charge of the Insurance Corporation of B.C., who told motorists that if they couldn't afford the new increased insurance rates, they should sell their cars.

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But he still swears the rate hike was justified and that "we didn't overreact, the public did."

"In retrospect, it was uncomfortable for us, but we have had a full airing about what car insurance is all about."

On the subject of the NDP, the premier ranges from guarded individual praise to righteous anger.

Dave Barrett is a strong leader, he says: "He is the party."

Barrett has a lot of expertise in the house, and without him the opposition would be poor."

But Bennett, when asked if

after a year he would stop blaming all financial problems on the NDP, launches into a campaign-like speech.

"They'll carry the blame for what they did in this province as long as they still have one member in that party."

"It took a lot of years to build up confidence in the province and it was destroyed very quickly."

"They were irresponsible and incompetent. They'll never, ever be entirely blameless."

Bennett says he's happy with the choices he made for his cabinet, despite some

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WEATHER

Tonight: Clearing; Thursday: Sunny

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Next Year Isn't Going to Be Easy—Bennett

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problems with its more vociferous members. (After Bill Vander Zalm said he wouldn't lose any sleep if Quebec separated, the premier had to publicly dissociate himself from his minister's comments.)

But on the whole, he thinks his cabinet has done a remarkable job and he'd stack them up against any other

cabinet in the country. "I wouldn't change one of them. They've done an outstanding job."

The premier Tuesday defended another of the moves of his government, the 40 per cent sales tax increase from five to seven per cent.

He says he doesn't think it's had an adverse effect on small businessmen, despite what businessmen claim. "If there's one group of peo-

ple I understand, it's businessmen," he says, adding that they're trying to find somebody to blame for the country-wide drop in sales.

The next year for Bennett himself will be tougher, he said, because people will expect more rapid solutions to problems.

"It's hard to envision any more pressure than the last year," he says, but predicts it will be there nonetheless.

He's dealt with the pressures of his first year in office "at a sacrifice to my family, and I don't intend to do that again."

One of the more famous parts of his family, father and former premier W. A. C. Bennett, has been a great help during the year, Bennett says.

"I haven't sought advice from him in policies, but it would be foolish not to ask him for background."

The premier is now an old hand at federal-provincial conferences and he came away from the last one several weeks ago in Ottawa with the feeling that Canada will hang together.

The Parti Quebecois victory in Quebec, Bennett says, has created economic uncertainty in that province and he thinks Premier Rene Levesque will have enough to worry about without trying to lead his province out of confederation.

Bennett says he thinks his party would win an election held today.

The public understands him more after the first year, he says, and would be willing to "give us a greater chance to achieve our goals."

Bennett hasn't done as much as he would have liked to in the first year, but "you never do as much as you want to."

"If you do, it means you set your sights too low."

Home Rates To Drop Jan. 1

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the Bank of Canada, said the reduction in the Canadian bank rate was designed to promote a moderate rate of monetary expansion.

If the increase in the supply of money leads to inflation, the central bank would have to take some counter measures in the new year, he said.

Bouey said the bank has acted to stimulate the economy because of continuing high unemployment and a slack economy.

The national unemployment rate is 7.3 per cent and some economists predict it will hit eight per cent this winter. The Victoria rate is estimated at 10 per cent at mid-December.

The growth rate of the Canadian economy is expected to be only three per cent in 1977, compared with a growth rate of five per cent this year.

Hijacker Gives Up

Times News Services
SAN FRANCISCO — A would-be hijacker, who slashed one of his hostages during a night of terror aboard a United Airlines jet, surrendered early today after a siege of more than 14 hours at the UAL maintenance base.

Palm Hinant, 37, turned his pistol over to two friends who boarded the jet, then called for a woman friend, who came out to the plane.

He and his friends were hustled into a van and taken to an undisclosed place.

Hinant had seized two other airline employees and boarded the jet at the big UAL base Tuesday afternoon.

the weather

A Pacific ridge of high pressure moving inland on Thursday will give sunny breaks in many areas. However, the north coast will receive more showers with the approach of another disturbance.

ENVIRONMENT CANADA
WEATHER OFFICE
10 A.M. FORECASTS

Valid Until Midnight Thursday
Greater Victoria: Thursday, sunny with cloudy periods. Highs 7 to 9. Lows tonight near freezing.

Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island: Thursday, cloudy with sunny periods. Morning fog patches. Highs 6 to 8. Lows tonight zero to minus 2.

North and West Vancouver Islands: Thursday, cloudy with sunny periods. Highs 6 to 8. Lows tonight zero to plus 2.

TEMPERATURES
Yesterday
Max. Min. Prep.

Victoria 4 3 trace
Normal 7 - 3
One year ago

Across Canada
Prince Rupert 9 5 8.1
Prince George 1 3 0.5

Terrace 1 0 8.6
Fort Hardy 7 6 14.0
Tofino 8 8 16.8

Cmox 8 6 9.1
Vancouver 7 5 2.3
Kamloops 0 1 0

Cranbrook 2 9 0
W. Lake 3 4 0
Fort Nelson 13 24 0

Peace River 0 22 0
Edmonton 3 20 0
Jasper 2 5 0

Banff 1 10 0
Calgary 4 12 0
Lethbridge 5 10 0

Medicine Hat 3 9 0
N. Battleford 2 11 0
Saskatoon 2 14 0

Swift Current 0 11 1.8
Prince Albert 6 15 0.3
Moose Jaw 0 9 0.2

Regina 1 9 0.5
Yorkton 6 12 1.5
Thompson 16 23 3.3

Brandon 2 9 0.3
Winnipeg 7 12 0.8
The Pas 11 21 0.2

Kenora 11 17 2.0
Thunder Bay 9 14 2.0
Toronto 10 13 0

Ottawa 12 21 0
Montreal 7 12 0
Quebec 6 19 0.8

Halifax 9 11 16.8
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St. John's 7 6 24.1
Whitehorse 3 7 0
Yellowknife 14 27 0

Churchill 17 20 0
Inuvik 19 44 0
United States

Seattle 8 5 0
Spokane 3 5 0
Portland 3 1 0

San Francisco 14 5 0
Los Angeles 22 7 0
Honolulu 28 20 0

Las Vegas 17 2 0
Phoenix 19 7 0
Chicago 8 12 0

New York 4 8 0
Miami 23 9 0
World Temperatures:

THE OUTCASTS



by Ben Wicks



HOSPITAL HELPS ALL

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right kind of nutritious food, there is constant malnutrition. The Unitarian Service Committee of Canada has been asked to provide \$6,000 so the dairy herd used by the hospital can be enlarged. More milk would help trim costs of caring for patients.

The average cost per patient is \$40 a month. The "wastebasket" hospital is one of 147 projects supported by Canadians through the USC, most of them self-help schemes in hard-pressed third-world countries.

Dr. Lotta Hitchmanova, the USC's executive director, has asked the people of Greater Victoria to give a total of \$30,000 this year, about \$7,000 more than they gave last year.

So far they've given about \$28,000. There's probably that much again in the mails now but that still leaves this year's Christmas campaign well short of its target.

Contributions can be mailed in care of the Victoria Times, P.O. Box 300, Victoria, or brought to the business office weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 2821 Douglas St.

Donations will also be accepted at any branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia. Cheques should be made payable to the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada.

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Killer Traps Protested With Frozen Dogs

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telling him to leave and take the carcasses with him.

"All I can say to you," said Bandy, "is it's a bloody stupid way of making a point."

Buttram left when threatened with execution and said outside the reception was "what I expected."

He said traplines should not be in areas where the public has access and if they are, there should be warning signs posted.

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Bandy said the trapline was legally set by a registered trapper.

He said Buttram, a former school teacher who taught school in Port Alberni before moving to Grand Forks, knew the trapper, was aware of the trapline and the danger of taking dogs in the area.

He agreed the conbear traps constitute a danger to the unsupervised, but said this is not the case with Buttram, an experienced hunter.

"I agree he has a point, however," Bandy said. "We are going to have to tell the public where these traps are set."

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This year, the new fee structure only allows the agents a flat \$3.50 fee for filling out the insurance coverage form. The commission of 10 per cent for extra coverage sold remains. The agents will also get a \$1.50 bonus for each insurance form filled out which is free from error.

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Bargaining Needs Study, BCGEU, Province Agree

By MIKE HUGHES
Times Staff

Chief negotiators for the B.C. Government Employees' Union and the provincial government agree the public service collective bargaining structure should be reviewed.

Both sides said in interviews Tuesday, the two-tiered system of bargaining, brought in by the former NDP government in 1973, has been given a good airing and there are some bugs to be taken out.

Seriousness of the problem and how much change is needed are matters of opinion which differ depending on whether the spokesman is from the union or the provincial government.

Mike Davison, the government's chief negotiator, wants some fundamental changes, the main one being the scrapping of the two-tiered system.

Under that system, bargaining takes place for a master agreement on matters common to all groups and then a separate level of negotiations for wages and matters peculiar to each of the 13 occupational groups.

Although cautious about what changes are needed in the system, BCGEU general secretary John Fryer admits there are some problems with the existing structure.

"There should be a review of it but with input from the union as well as from the employers."

"It (the review) should not be conducted by a professor."

Davison said in an interview Tuesday the problem with the present system is that there is potential for conflict at 14 different levels — the one master agreement and the 13 component agreements.

He said it also leads "to an unnecessary diminution of power" from a central bargaining unit to the components.

"I think it should be more centralized. We should be able to deal with all the agreements at once."

He said there could be one master agreement with supplements added to cover the wage structure in the different occupational groups as is done in the private sector.

Davison, vice-chairman of the Government Employee Relations Bureau, said he is not sure the components are aligned properly now, or that so many are needed.

He said there are also some administrative and technical changes that need to be made to the Public Service Labor Relations Act, which was passed by the legislature in the fall of 1973, giving public service employees the right to strike and bargain collectively for the first time.

Fryer said some sort of two-tiered approach is necessary when one large bargaining unit represents a number of different occupational groups.

There has to be a system for negotiating matters common to all but another level for handling others that are peculiar to the individual groups, he said.

He said every other province has patterned its bargaining structure on B.C.'s.

Fryer said he had no indication during the recent round of negotiations that the government has decided to change the bargaining system.

Davison said the government is well aware of his feelings on the matter but so far has given no indication that changes will be made.

He said possibly once the government becomes aware that both sides are seeking a review it will take action, knowing a move is not likely to generate too much conflict.

One of the problems with the two-tiered system came to light during the recent negotiations for a contract for 33,000 employees in the 13 components.

In the 22-month master agreement, which was signed in September, 1975, there was a cost-of-living adjustment clause for all the workers.

That clause produces a one-per-cent wage increase for every one per cent increase in the Vancouver consumer price index.

The government employees have received three cost-of-living payments amounting to 12.2 per cent, the latest one being 4.54 on Oct. 1.

As far as the government was concerned, this was the equivalent to a wage increase and led to difficult bargaining when wages were being dealt with at the component level.

Davison said this was one of the reasons for the drastic drop in the government's offer from \$45 a month beginning Oct. 1 to \$25 a month beginning next February.

The employees will be voting between now and mid-January on the latter offer, even though in September they rejected the \$45-a-month agreement.

The offer also includes a \$123 lump sum which Fryer says "gives lip service" to the principle of reactivity. The

components have been without a wage contract for more than a year.

The \$25 monthly general increase would run from Feb. 1 to July 31 next year.

Fryer said the ballot which the employees will be asked to mark will provide for a vote against the tentative agreement or a vote giving the union executive the authority to call a strike.

Fryer said after the employees rejected the government negotiators' \$45-a-month offer, the negotiators came back and said there was no government offer on the table and the union had to start bargaining from scratch.

He said the government appeared to be trying to force the employees to take some action so that the legislature could be asked to be called to

take away the employees' right to strike.

He said this was a "crude political manoeuvre" which is typical when dealing with an employer who can change the rules in the middle of the game.

Fryer said the union got as much as it could knowing that the federal Anti-Inflation Board could roll the whole thing back.

LIFER OUT FOR YULE

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP) — A former Queen's University law professor, serving a life sentence in a British Columbia prison for murder, has been given a six-day leave to spend Christmas with his wife and five children, his wife says.

Keith Latta, 48, was convicted in 1971 of murdering his former business partner, Robert Neville.

His wife, Bernadine, said she and her family had no special plans for the holiday.

Single Mother of Three Faces Deportation to Fiji

VANCOUVER (CP) — A single mother is facing deportation to Fiji although her three children are landed immigrants, her lawyer said Tuesday.

The children, aged seven, eight and nine, are likely to lose their immigrant status because Mary Bretefield, 30, in Canada on a visitor's permit, has been denied a permanent resident visa.

The children, included in Miss Bretefield's deportation order, are appealing the decision in January but lawyer Wally Beck said Tuesday he is not optimistic about their chances of succeeding.

The situation is the result of a Moslem marriage in which Miss Bretefield was the second wife. She and her three children lived in Fiji with Hassan Raza, 42, his first wife and their four children.

Raza took the seven children and his legal wife to Canada in March, 1975, leaving Miss Bretefield behind. She joined the family here in June, 1975, but soon found the two-wife household unbearable.

"In Fiji, I had to tolerate it," Miss Bretefield said Tuesday. "I had nowhere else to go but it is altogether different here in Canada."



DUCK, HENRY, that basketball can hurt. U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was trying to spin the ball on the end of his finger when it got away.

Kissinger was made an honorary Harlem Globetrotter Tuesday, joining active players Meadowlark Lemon and Jerry Venable.

DREDGING LINKED TO MAYOR

VANCOUVER (CP) — Mayor Ed McKitka of Surrey said Monday he had no direct involvement in a dredging project which was shut down by federal fisheries officials in Delta.

He said he just rented out some equipment.

John Miller, general manager of a construction company subcontracting on the job, said he dealt with McKitka personally on the arrangements.

Miller said the backhoe equipment used on the job belonged to his company, Miller Cartage and Contracting Company, and his company did not rent any equipment from McKitka.

Construction work on the project was stopped Friday on what fisheries officials said is a marina planned for a 4½-acre site at Deas Slough on the South Arm of the Fraser River.

Work was initiated by Nahmema Enterprises Ltd. of Delta after federal authorities refused permission for the job.

Roderick Bell-Irving, a fisheries biologist, said Sunday the marina developer was told in October the project would not be allowed because it interfered with a salmon feeding ground.

Miller said, "in fact he (McKitka) rented from us. The backhoe equipment was ours and the men were our employees. He had some trucks and a boat on the job site."

"The men in the trucks were his," Miller said.

McKitka said his business is renting out equipment, although his daughter runs his company, Clayton Construction, now.

"But, I did know about his particular job," McKitka said. Miller said the order to stop work was verbal, and occurred about six hours after they started.

He said his firm was operating on the project as a subcontractor for Clayton Construction.

Ninth Victim

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — A Coos Bay man, William Hoover, 72, has become Oregon's ninth reported victim of Guillan-Barre Syndrome.

capital scene

The James Bay New Horizons Society holiday show will be held Friday, Dec. 24, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the 234 Menzies St.

Ont. Court Plays Santa For Family That's Broke

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. (CP) — Eleven-year-old Judd Smoke got a Christmas gift from the Ontario Supreme Court today—\$3,000 of the \$100,000 he won last March in a Wintario lottery draw.

Judd had not received a penny of his winnings, which are being held by the court until Judd is 18.

But Judd's father, Clayton, is unemployed and the family was facing a bleak Christmas in their house trailer on the outskirts of Peterborough.

Lloyd Perry, deputy director of the minor guardian's office for Ontario, which controls the money, heard of the bleak Christmas facing the Smoke family this year and went to a Supreme Court justice to see if something could be done to help them.

The judge authorized that \$3,000 be sent to the family.

Mr. Judd, who is not eligible for unemployment insurance benefits and refuses to accept welfare, has not worked since September when

he injured his arms while building a log cabin. He is a self-employed barn painter.

"The oil and hydro bills will just have to wait until better times," Mr. Smoke said earlier. "The small amount of money I had was used to buy

JAPAN TURNS A SURPLUS

TOKYO (Reuter) — Japan recorded a \$280-million surplus in its over-all balance of payments last month compared with a \$58-million deficit in October, the finance ministry announced today.

The recovery was largely due to a big influx of capital investment in Japanese bonds.

Exports in November totalled \$3,520 billion, a drop of \$484 million from October, while November imports amounted to \$4,880 billion compared with \$4,862 billion for the previous month.

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Pilgrims' Progress

Last year Premier Bill Bennett cancelled the state ball which celebrates the opening of the B.C. legislature because, in his words, there was nothing to dance about. The economy, according to the Socreds, was in ruins and cancellation of the state ball was a perfect metaphor to reinforce the guilt of citizens who had been foolish enough to take a fling with the wicked socialists. Gaiety and laughter did not fit the philosophy of a balanced budget.

One year later Provincial Secretary Grace McCarthy says there is cause for celebration and the ball will be held at Government House on Jan. 14. In watching the progress of these pilgrims we are stunned by the metamorphosis from roundheads to cavaliers in the space of 12 short

months. Hair shirts have been mothballed for stuffed shirts. The cabinet has even been sworn in twice, as if to emphasize its claim to power. After one year of Sacred stewardship the good fairy has apparently transformed the pumpkins into glittering coaches.

Meanwhile, the sullen NDP caucus says it won't dance because, according to Comox MLA Karen Sanford: "In the present circumstances, the last thing the people of B.C. want is a state ball to provide free drink and food at the expense of services to the people."

If this sounds self-righteous and churlish on the part of the NDP, remember it was the Socreds who first used the state ball to score political points. And Sanford has a

point. Premier Bennett returned from the first minister's conference saying the compromise effected would mean reductions in provincial services. The number of jobless British Columbians went from 81,000 in October to 88,000 in November. Forest companies will lay off more than 12,000 employees this month. Opposition spokesmen claim tax increases by this administration have taken \$400 million out of the provincial economy. And McCarthy claims there is cause for celebration.

The cabinet would appear to be living in the cocoon of its metamorphosis. Still, who can blame them for wanting to dance? It is a recreation designed to make people forget their troubles, even if they are dancing in the dark.

Do As We Say . . .

It's interesting and instructive, not to say educational, to witness the verbal squirmings of Victoria school trustees and teachers, spokesmen in explaining the fact that many children of teachers and trustees attend private schools.

Sure, there are probably good reasons why teachers in the public school system choose to spend upwards of \$1,000 a year to send each of their offspring to private academies plus pay school taxes to support the public system, as noted by Walter Kitley, president of the Greater Victoria Teachers Association.

Special needs, religious reasons, better sports programs, social elitism and the like are all cited. But Kitley seems unable to accept the desire of parents to see their children well educated, which for a very large minority is not happening in the public

school system. What better indicator than the fact that numbers of public school teachers and half the trustees of district 61 have no faith in the public system?

It is no parochial issue, either. U.S. president-elect Jimmy Carter astounded Washington when he announced that eight-year-old daughter Amy would attend a public school in the District of Columbia, about six blocks from the White House. It's taken for granted in the U.S. that the big inner city public schools are not working.

In the whole of B.C. there are 30,000 students in private and independent schools. Even the public school system is heavily involved in private schools. The Vancouver school board, for example, underwrites about a dozen separate establishments which all began as so-called "free schools"

in reaction to the existing school system. They have more in common with the private, independent schools than with the traditional public school system.

Education Minister Pat McGeer probably speaks for many, many parents when he talks of a return to the basics in B.C. schools. Looser curricula and experiments like open area teaching have been tried and found interesting, exciting even, but not educational. High school students graduate who can't write.

Many public school teachers and school trustees have found the solution in private schools, which is nice for their children, but what about the overwhelming majority of parents who can't afford the same way out for theirs? Better that the trustees and teachers work to create the same standards of excellence inside the public system.

RICHARD GWYN

Canada: Whose Business?

OTTAWA — Memories are uncertain. It may have happened just after the Gaspé smoked salmon was served, or during the call's sweetbread. At one moment or other seated opposite each other across the dining room table at 24 Sussex, Quebec Premier René Levesque and Newfoundland Premier Frank Moores squared off against each other.

"What I do in Quebec is none of your damn business," said Levesque, after Moores had lectured him on the effect his separatist policies were having on business investment, not just in Quebec but throughout Canada. "What you are trying to do to Canada is my goddamn business," retorted Moores.

A side benefit of the first ministers' conference is that, during the breaks between the bickering and the posturing, the public learns a bit more about its country. This time, the premiers educated themselves about their country.

Bennett Deceived

They discovered, for example, that Levesque always meant what he always has been saying. Until this meeting, British Columbia's Premier Bill Bennett has dismissed reports that Quebec was headed toward independence as "gross exaggeration." During that emotional dinner at the prime minister's residence, Bennett realized he had grossly deceived himself. "I'm all for British Columbia taxes being used to equalize poorer provinces," Bennett told Levesque, "but I'm damned if our taxes are going to be used to fund your campaign."

During that dinner — my knowledge of it comes from three sources, but is still only partial — there seem to have been two turning-points in the consciousness-raising of the premiers.

One happened when the premiers realized the depth of Levesque's commitment to independence. After an emotional description of Quebec's need to run its own affairs, Levesque told his colleagues that if the referendum were lost he would resign, "to allow younger guys to complete the work." Later, one English-speaking premier recalled: "I realized that there would be no end to it. One referendum. Then another, with a new leader, and if necessary another, until the combination worked."

Another dining table moment of truth happened after Trudeau told the premiers he was prepared to concede two tax points but would move no further toward the premiers' unanimous demand for four tax points. Everyone grumbled; Levesque exploded. The federal government, he said, was composed of "thugs" and "scoundrels" who were perpetrating a "scandal."

As one premier said later: "I fight Ot-



PREMIER BILL BENNETT
... came back convinced

tawa as hard as he (Levesque) does. But it is still my national government."

The premiers left 24 Sussex Drive sadder but wiser. Gone was the illusion that devices such as the "common front" against Ottawa of which the provinces once were so proud, might persuade Levesque to function as just a provincial government a little more aggressive than the others. Gone also was the illusion that

some form of decentralized Confederation might give Levesque all he really wants.

Levesque, said Trudeau at his press conference the next day, "doesn't want a more flexible federalism, and he's never asked for it. I can never be flexible enough to suit him. His flexibility is Quebec-opting out of Confederation."

In their own ways, English-speaking premiers echoed Trudeau's analysis. Premier Peter Lougheed of Alberta, the strongest advocate of a loosened federalism, did it by silence. Before the conference, Lougheed had worried that Ottawa would "concentrate so much on the Quebec questions," and so cause "a further alienation" of the west. After the conference, Lougheed became, suddenly, invisible. The west, for the moment, will have to wait.

Ontario Premier Bill Davis, for his part, praised Confederation's "creative tension," that provides "a uniquely Canadian form of checks and balances." Other premiers did what they could to avoid giving Levesque a chance to claim that Confederation was unworkable. New Brunswick's Richard Hatfield called the deal "satisfactory." Saskatchewan's Allan Blakeney first dismissed the settlement as "unacceptable," then quickly toned down his description to "unattractive."

Levesque Unconvinced

Levesque, of course, made the claim anyway. Quebec, he told reporters, had been "gypped" by Ottawa's "devious arm-twisting." Not gypped at this particular federal-provincial conference, though that's what Levesque had in mind when he made the comments, but gypped by being in Confederation at all, which is what Levesque has in his mind all the time.

This was the last illusion to go. Federal-provincial conferences have become irrelevant. Confederation will be won, or lost, not in the conference centre at Ottawa but in the streets of Montreal, and of Trois-Pistoles. A better federal system is devoutly to be desired. It may convince Quebecers they don't need to leave. It won't convince Levesque. Nothing will. At some moment between the smoked salmon and the veal last Tuesday night, the nine English-speaking premiers realized this. Soon all of English Canada will realize it also.



Letters

Cancer Conspiracy

Your article The Laetrile Conspiracy of Nov. 29 has been brought to my attention.

Without going into any discussion of all the erroneous aspects of your article as it touches on laetrile, I am primarily writing to you because I am very much concerned that you have given your readers an erroneous impression of the International Association of Cancer Victims and Friends.

The article mentions that we came into being because "cancer patients become temporary sponsors of laetrile." Nothing could be further from the truth. This association is nearly 15 years old. It did come into being because our founder was treated with laetrile and survived nearly eight years beyond the two months originally given her. However, she was also being treated with other kinds of modalities at the time, including psychological programming of the type presently being used by such individuals as Carl Simonton. This association has always been holistic in nature, being concerned with the treatment of the whole man — body, mind and spirit — and we have spent a decade and a half proving that this is the way to approach man's medical needs. Laetrile is just one small part of this whole approach. We also have sponsored research into immunotherapy, which is now being accepted by orthodoxy.

Further, we were years ahead of the American Cancer Society in talking about environmental causes of cancer. Over the past two years we raised tens of thousands of dollars for the research of Nobel laureate Albert Szent-Gyorgyi into electronic biology and cancer. He recently published a major book on his work. To state that the "real forces behind" this great movement is made up of "unscientific doctors, health food supply companies, chiropractors and naturopaths," is simply repeating a falsehood, which is hardly worthy of a responsible newspaper. This association features at its national conventions some of the world's most pre-eminent scientists and physicians. The immediate past chairman of our board is the co-developer of the first major anti-tuberculin antibiotic, streptomycin. He recently won France's highest medal of honor for his humanitarian contributions. He is a full professor at Temple University in Philadelphia, and has been honored by six separate universities with honorary degrees for his greatest scientific achievements.

Dr. Lendon Smith, who spoke at our most recent convention — as an example — is undoubtedly the most honored "baby doctor" in the U.S. You do your readers a great disservice when you blacken the name of one of the most outstanding associations in the U.S., which, by the way, has a most active and involved chapter in your very own city. Do not confuse major conflicts currently raging over cause and treatment in cancer to confuse your readers. Just because great men in science and medicine differ about the whole field does not necessarily mean that those involved in differing are wrong. We happen to feel they are about a century ahead of the medical establishment, just as Pasteur, Lister, Semmelweis and others were years ahead of their own establishments. — John Steinbacher, Executive Director, The International Association of Cancer Victims and Friends Inc., 434 South San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif., 90048.

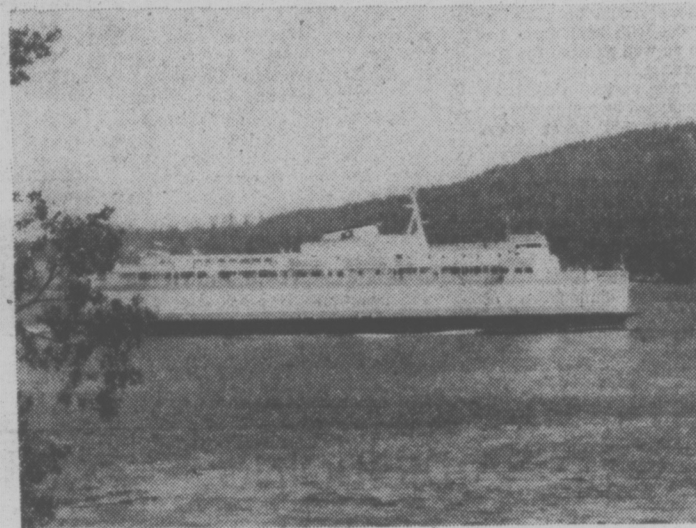
Weins Praised

As the mother of two school-aged children and one who has been actively interested in education in B.C., I have followed the recent articles concerning the activities of the Victoria school board with much interest.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation to Dr. John Weins for his dedication and service to the students of this school district.

During the past several years I have been on committees and attended meetings with Dr. Weins and have drawn the conclusion that his philosophy both as a human being and as an educator makes him a person I hope we will have serving us for many years to come.

Merry Christmas, Dr. Weins and thank you for a job well done. — Joan Dayton, 1588 Monterey Street.



Bring back the ferry restaurants, or a smorgasbord, says reader.

Ferry Food

I am sure that everyone is aware of how important tourism is to B.C.'s economy. In this connection, I do not know whether the doubling of ferry rates has deterred visits to Vancouver Island. From experience I have found that tourists are willing to pay well for a pleasant experience — something a crossing to the island has always been until lately.

Now, however, it is impossible to get any sort of meal on board without having to stand for ages in the cafeteria queue for sandwiches and snacks. You even have to eat with plastic utensils.

Why not re-open the dining rooms in the summer months, selling tickets for two sittings as on the old CPR ferries? With a limited menu or smorgasbord served by student waiters this could make economic sense as well as restore the reputation of our ferry fleet for good food and service. — Michael Audain, Vancouver.

Rights for Trees

I am writing this letter to express my concern about the destruction of the countryside on Vancouver Island. Every week more and more trees and vegetation are knocked down to construct buildings and houses. About 90 per cent of these trees were sawn down for no reason at all. They did not constitute a danger to the owners or their property. They were wretchedly knocked down because the property owners did not want them where they stood. Does this constitute a reason for destroying trees which took hundreds of years to grow? This is how New York came into existence, wall-to-wall concrete. Is this what Victoria wants?

Trees should be given rights. In England and Germany trees are property of the government. No one is allowed to chop down a tree without a justifiable reason. Isn't this more sensible than a person mowing down hundreds of trees without any reason at all? Victoria's vegetation along the Island highway is fast disappearing. Huge tracts of land are bulldozed. Surely all those trees did not have to be destroyed. It was probably thought more economically feasible for the owner to have all his vegetation removed. In fact, it is cheaper to let the trees stand if they are not in the direct way of construction. Is anything going to be done or isn't anyone else concerned? Are we going to allow ourselves to become a concrete tomb? Does anyone else care at all at this total destruction of the land? We must stop it if we want to have woods and parks for future generations. Can it be stopped as soon as possible? — A Concerned Citizen.

Sincere Thanks

I would like to extend sincere thanks from all of us at the B.C. division of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, and our volunteers concerned with the care of the arthritis patient, for wonderful help and support received during the year.

As you will recall, CARS faced troubled times earlier this year and as a result was forced to close 10 treatment centres in

B.C. I am pleased to say that we are now in a position to consider alternate ways of bringing this needed treatment to patients, and in some cases have instigated a regular travelling follow-up service which emanates from the arthritis centre.

Our independent fund-raising campaigns around B.C. have shown an overall increase this year of 16 per cent for which we are, indeed, grateful to those British Columbians who canvass on our behalf and to those who answer our request for help. — Roberta McLeod, Executive Director, Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, Vancouver.

Human Rights

I would like to know how much further this human rights, and civil rights and minority garbage is going.

In order to give one type or class of person rights, you must deprive another of some rights. This is a constant, it never changes. Give to women, take from men, give to one ethnic group, take from all the others, give to employee, take from employer, and ad nauseum.

When are we going to get enough guts to stand on our own two feet? Rights are to be earned, worked for, achieved. These are not worked out according to color or nationality or creed. If you are any good at all anywhere, you will be given your just rewards. But for God's sake work for it, be worth it. I've seen about enough of these so-called downtrodden minorities making a mockery of real worth. They spend time spouting off about "equality" when actually they want a handout that is not coming to them. When are we going to stop.

When will a potential employer be able to advertise for the type, sex, age of employee that he wants, not who someone else says he may hire?

When are we going to be able to work at our job, trade, business, regardless of unions?

When are we going to be able to call men men and women women again, instead of person this and that or the stupid Ms. thing?

If you are not men, you are women. If not women, men. If you are in between you're nuts. — R. Griffin, 955 Dingley Dell.

Sigh of Relief

It was with a sigh of relief that I read Sen. Josie Quart's comments (Citizenship of CBC Reporter Questioned by Senator, Dec. 16) about Adrienne Clarkson. I was beginning to think that all the ignorant, pompous and boorish politicians were confined to B.C. I cannot thank Sen. Quart enough for proving me so wrong. — Graham Boardman, Victoria.

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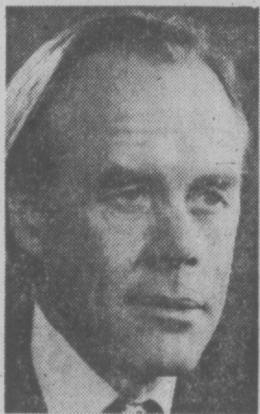
Who Needs Elite?

THE GLOBE AND MAIL
An Editorial

Noblesse oblige is alive and welcomed by many serious thinkers, including Hamilton G. Southam, Director-General of Ottawa's National Arts Centre. Mr. Southam was addressing a seminar on the Press and the Arts, sponsored by the Canadian Daily News, paper Publishers Association.

"Our politicians, even our educators, seem to have failed us. Only the arts and the media are left, by reason of their capacity to integrate people through the interplay of thought and feeling, to show Canadians, before it is too late, not only what it is to be Canadian but why." Survival is the issue.

Grammatically at least, Mr. Southam sees ordinary Canadians as a passive people, needing to be "integrated" and "shown" their very nature as citizens by a dedicated alliance of "professional communicators" who have come to believe that their own respective "aims and means should be harmonized for the general



SOUTHAM
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good". Mr. Southam paraphrases Robertson Davies in suggesting that "the critic — like the artist — must be an aristocrat, with tastes superior to those of the general public" if social change is to imply social progress. Critics and artists — our last, best hope — face a sober national challenge. The outstanding question after Mr. Southam's speech is whether ordinary Canadians will have enough sense to follow their latent leaders.

Who is to say? On Mr. Southam's advice, we might turn to an artist and a critic in the person of American writer Saul Bellow, speaking in Stockholm after receiving the Nobel prize for literature.

"At the moment, neither art nor science but mankind is determining, in confusion and obscurity, whether it will endure or not. The whole species — everybody — has gotten into the act. At such times it is essential to lighten ourselves, to dump encumbrances, including



BELLOW
... on our own

the encumbrances of education and all organized platitudes, to make judgments of our own, to perform acts of our own.

"With increasing frequency I dismiss the merely respectable opinions I have long held — or thought I held — and try to discern what I really lived by, and what others live by."

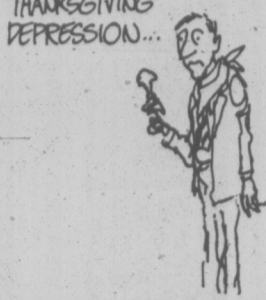
"A group of mummies, the most respectable leaders of the intellectual community, has laid down the law... We must not make bosses of our intellectuals. And we do them no good by letting them run the arts."

This is a jarring assessment. Mr. Bellow sees little interest by ordinary people in being saved by an elite with superior tastes — at least not the existing elite. The ordinary people have decided to stand or fall on their own, with the future indeterminate. The ordinary people have concluded that the condition of freedom is risk.

If both Mr. Bellow and Mr. Southam are right, the prospects for Canada are dim. We suspect that one of them is wrong.

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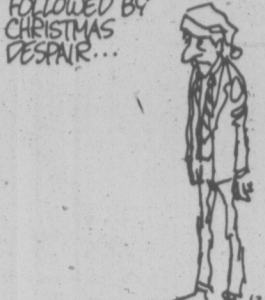
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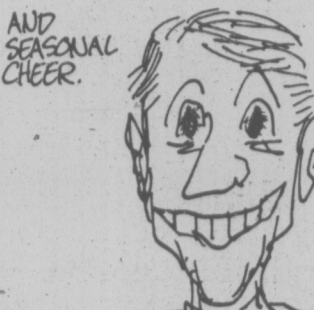
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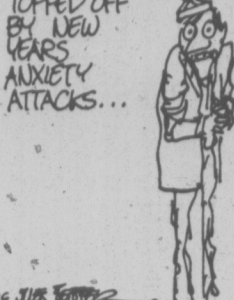
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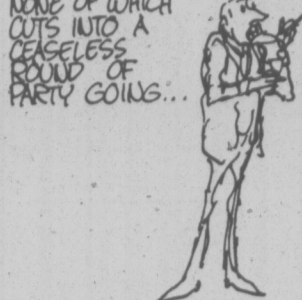
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Food Before Democracy

By SUNANDA DATTA-RAY
London Observer

CALCUTTA — Many Indians may be beginning to wonder whether elections — which here amount to little more than a nationwide circus for those who cannot afford bread — are not about to be abandoned altogether.

Hopes that Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's new, and highly centralized, political system would soon be put to the test of public opinion were never realistic. The ruling Congress party is content with its crushing parliamentary majority, and elections have, therefore, been deferred once again. The present parliament, elected in 1971 for only five years, has been extended for a second 12-month term to March 15, 1978.

The first extension — when this year's scheduled voting was put off — was justified on the grounds that the country needed a respite after the anarchic tumult of the 1975 protest movement when Mrs. Gandhi's arch-enemy

plotted by his colleagues, has predictably denounced Mrs. Gandhi's apparently expedient decision as "a crime against the nation and the constitution." Other opposition leaders of the right are in conclave, trying desperately to sink their differences in a united front which can respond to Narayan's claim that "it is one of the duties of the people to demand elections."

Their chances of success are, however, remote. Gokhale was not boasting when he announced that the Congress party did not fear a contest. Favorable rains and a bumper food harvest have enhanced its prestige, inflation has successfully been arrested and industrial productivity improved, while the overriding powers vested in the prime minister under the emergency have placed her in a virtually unassailable position.

Survival is not thus at stake. But at the very heart of the government's arguments in defense of this second postponement lies the unspoken conviction that elections are not very relevant to India's needs.

For good or ill, many Indians seem to share this belief. Food matters more than the vote.

Past elections have, in any case, been exercises in futility. Opposition groups, mostly led by disgruntled old men licking private wounds, bicker and squabble among themselves. Money is extorted from industrialists and businessmen who are anxious to buy commercial favors. Corrupt politicians line their nests with party funds. Everyone eager for a vote makes lavish promises that are seldom fulfilled. The entire civil service is thrown out of gear and the administration grinds to a halt.

At the end of it all, the same party — led by the same tired old faces — is returned to power simply because 29 years of independence have not yet produced a credible alternative to the dominant Congress.

If this travesty of the system is not advanced as the reason for avoiding it, it is only because most educated Indians — and the prime minister is no exception — continue to swear by a diluted and distorted variant of the British pattern.

Whether elections will finally be held in 1978 is an open question. Much will depend on how the Congress regime fares in the next 12 months and also on how opposition groups react to the latest challenge.

But this much is certain even if not publicly admitted. Elections are no longer seen as the conclusive touchstone of democracy. For that matter, the British pattern of government is no longer regarded as the only instrument of effective and meaningful administration.

Learning to Cope With Leisure

By HENRY FAIRLIE
Washington Post

A story in a newspaper said that Thanksgiving would be observed on "Thursday and Friday." I think this was significant. For some years one of my clearest impressions of America has been that it is coping with the threatened underemployment of the computer age by extending its public holidays.

The end of the year in America is marked by three signposts: Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. But meanwhile there has also been Columbus Day — a Monday — and Veterans Day — again a Monday. There seems to be no reason why this pattern should not be extended indefinitely. Washington's Birthday is already a movable feast; the 17th of February last year, the 16th this year, the 21st next year. Why not have a movable holiday for the birthday of every president? A holiday for Polk's Birthday? And if the Jews can observe their Passover, as movable as Easter, why should not every ethnic group have its own public holidays? There could be a kind of shift system of public holidays, with the population essentially on a four-day week, but with the nation's business still done.

None of this is a joke. In a characteristically improved way, the "leisure society" is being introduced — or rather, it is sneaking up on us. Less in Washington than elsewhere — because the business of organizing the "leisure society" keeps people at work here — the large department stores are almost empty on Saturday afternoons, the very time when not so long ago they used to be most crowded. The people have the leisure to shop at other times, so that they may play on weekends.

It is exactly at this point that one of the most worrying stories that I have run across in recent years springs from the back of my mind. Not long ago, one of the great U.S. steel corporations decided it would meet the underemployment in its plants — the direct result of automation — by giving some of its workers a "sabbatical" of a few months on top of their regular annual vacations.

It was a brave idea; it deserved to work. The workers would have three to six months — perhaps eventually a whole year — to do something completely different. They would still be paid their high wages; they would lose nothing. The hope was that they would in some way enrich their lives — travel, or take a course at a uni-



A chance to do something completely different

versity, or take up some new interest or hobby — anything that was new and different. But what did the corporation, and the sociologists who did surveys of the experiment, find to their dismay? That the workers did nothing new or different, that they sat at home watching television and that otherwise they did not know how to fill the time.

There is something terrible about this story. Here were the helots: people educated to the level at which they can just survive in modern society, and merely do its chores, but not educated to the real enjoyment of anything. Already members of the "leisure society" — think what it means when a steel company can talk of giving its workers a "sabbatical" — but with no idea, beyond watching television, of what to do with their leisure.

A society that allows such a situation to exist is not yet rotten, but it must become rotten in time. For these, its people, will rot in the leisure for which they are unequipped. They will rot in their minds, rot in their imaginations, perhaps even rot in their bodies.

I make no apology for returning to this subject at the beginning of a new administration, for nothing is more noticeable than the fact that, both in the pronouncements of the president-elect and his advisers and the commentaries of the press, education is hardly given a hearing. The public education system of the United States, once one of its glories, is in its deepest crisis in 200 years; and yet few seem really to care very much.

It took me some years to come to terms with the American ambition to "educate everyone." After all, I had been given one of the most privileged educations in the world at Oxford University, where the ratio of teacher to pupil was 1 to 1 in the tutorials. For an hour each week, I had a tutor in political philosophy to myself (in fact, two); a tutor in medieval history to myself; a tutor in the English Civil War to myself, a tutor in the French Revolution to myself; a tutor in modern European history to myself (in fact, two again); and a tutor in ecclesiastical history to myself. Many of them were the best in their fields and to each of them each week I read a lengthy essay, which they then tore to pieces.

How could I, from such a background, comprehend the ambition of the American experiment? Yet after spending some time on the margins of one of the better state universities in the country I was converted: It suddenly occurred to me that the privileged education of Oxford and Cambridge had been designed partly to train those born or recruited into a small governing class; but it was designed also to educate a leisured class to the enjoyment of its leisure. A significant number of my fellow undergraduates were the sons (and in a few cases, the daughters) of the aristocracy and gentry, who would toil not in their lives, neither would they spin.

Yet whenever they could be brought off the cricket field, or away from the chase with their beagles, or in from the

Cherwell where they lazily punted their girl friends beneath the dreaming tower of Magdalen College, they were educated, however forcibly, to make intelligent and enjoyable use of their leisure.

In the years that lay ahead, after they had toured their estates in the morning, scratched the red backs of their Tamworth pigs, ordered a mare put to pasture and decided to cross their Herefords with their Ayrshires — all of them strenuous activities for a gentleman, for which centuries of breeding had prepared them — they would be able to pick up the "Dunciad" of Pope to enjoy it, or make their own translations of the racier verses of Catullus, or investigate the genealogy of their families; and when they went to London once a week, to address the House of Lords on the subject of drainage — the only kind of subject on which they speak with certainty and passion — they would quote from the more bucolic passages of the "Georgics."

This is a rather idyllic portrayal of some of my friends and acquaintances at Oxford; yet the principle is true. And it suddenly occurred to me a few years ago that the task of the public education system in America is just the same as the task of the privileged education which used to be given at Oxford: to educate, in this case, not a class but a whole nation to the use and enjoyment of its leisure, to stock their minds for their own continuous pleasure and employments.

One cannot be alone or fecklessly idle if one has been

properly educated. One can never be bored if one can read a book. From year to year, the whole world lies open, as the saying used to go, like a book; and how much that phrase, "open like a book," can tell us. It is not blacks or busing that have caused the crisis in public education in America; it is not money that is the real problem. It is the decline of faith in the value of education, not for a few, but for all; and those "all" do not have to be equally intelligent to be educated.

It simply needs to be reaffirmed in America that a rigorous academic education for everyone is the foundation of an enjoyable life for everyone. I think of Kathy, a young woman student at a state university who came from a "Middle American" home, where a book meant only the latest issue of the Reader's Digest, who in the 1970s had still to work her way through college, and whose whole concept of the world changed as a freshman, then as a sophomore, then as a junior and at last as a senior. It does not matter all that much how she has been trained to work for her living; it matters much more that she has been educated to enjoy her life.

Across the portals of the university library where she and hundreds like her went every day is the legend: "WHO KNOWS ONLY HIS OWN GENERATION REMAINS FOREVER A CHILD." It is all there.

Those steelworkers had been left by their education to be children. If Jimmy Carter sends his daughter to a public school — as I hope he will — it will be interesting only if it is a symbol of a reeducation of America to its faith in the public education of its people, an education not to fit them only for a labor market, but to equip them for the rewards of their increasing leisure.

Life Is Not a Laundry List

By SCOTT YOUNG
The Globe and Mail

ever since the notice went up on the board, making you gloomy every time you read it.

If you keep lamenting to yourself that it's too bad you always find yourself buying Christmas presents by dashing in and snatching the first thing that costs the right amount, and is not downright repulsive, stop that. Take a day. Think how much you love the ones you love. Think deeply what they would like most that you can almost afford. Get it. Buy not duty presents. Send no duty cards. Go to no duty affairs.

Do not keep on drinking because it's there and it might seem rude to leave so soon. Go and see Network. Go and sit in the Pilot Tavern; or another of your choice, and put your back against the wall and watch the world, doing nothing about it. Do nothing about anything that nags

you, so you are open and ready to sail before your own inner breeze. I know a man who rode a bicycle 1,800 miles down the Danube. That is the idea. When you think of something you would like to do and are busy convincing yourself that you cannot possibly do it, remember: Young knows a guy who rode a bicycle 1,800 miles down the Danube, for no reason that he explained.

Call somebody who means a lot to you, but whom you never tell about it because every time you think of calling you think, well, you could write a letter, but then you never write the letter. Go and see only the old relatives you like. Do not ask anybody over, for any reason, whose departure you always yearn for. Tell the kids to get their own breakfasts. Hold yourself entirely available for the ones you love, but do not let them consume you, either. Even if it's something you normally remember only in fleeting, unacted-upon thoughts, remember it now: you're you, and you're not here forever.

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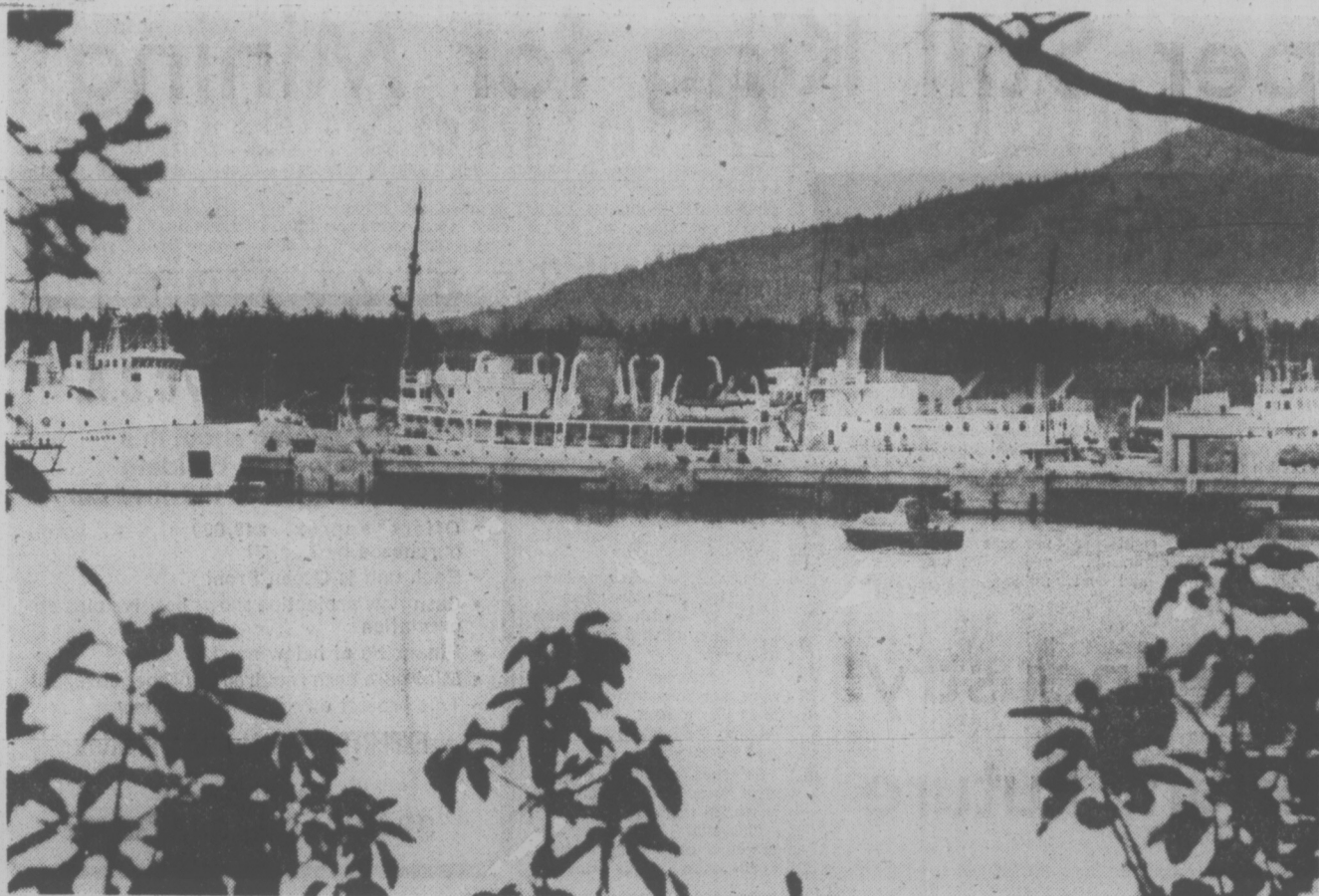
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Mayor Sid Parker said council advised its lawyers not to appeal the licence approval and to set up the procedures for the working out of socio-economic budgets of compensation to the city.

Parker said this will involve negotiations with B.C. Hydro. The mayor said while the city is not appealing the initial water licence, there may be specific items within the licence that the city could appeal.

Peltier Aides Brand Escape Plots Fantasies

VANCOUVER (CP) — Leaders of the American Indian Movement (AIM) and the Leonard Peltier defence committee said Tuesday reports of plots to break the American Indian activist out of prison are fantasies concocted to rationalize maltreatment of Peltier.

Roque Duenas, an AIM spokesman, denied any AIM involvement in plots to help Peltier escape from the Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre (Oakalla).

His denials were echoed by Isabelle Deon, a defence committee co-ordinator.

They were commenting on statements by Oakalla prison officials and revelations from RCMP and city police sources that a number of plots were hatched but never put into action during Peltier's 18-month stay at Oakalla.

"There were no plots of any kind," Duenas said. "The police and prison officials appear to have been acting on a steady stream of unfounded rumors led to them by the FBI in the United States."

Peltier, an AIM leader active in the siege of Wounded Knee, S.D., was extradited to the U.S. Saturday on charges of murdering two FBI agents

at the Pine Ridge, S.D., reserve in June, 1975. He is in jail in South Dakota awaiting trial.

Duenas, from South Dakota's Rosebud reserve and one of the first AIM leaders to arrive following Peltier's arrest in Alberta in February and transfer to Oakalla, said his organization had strict instructions to steer clear of illegal activities.

Oakalla and RCMP officials told in interviews Monday of three escape plans. Vancouver city police sources revealed the existence of a fourth escape plan, said to have involved an AIM plan to kidnap a prominent British Columbian and trade that person for Peltier.

Haro Strait Pilot Decision Sought

BELLINGHAM (AP) — Arguments between Canadian and American ship pilots who assist vessels through the narrow Haro Strait are being passed to the desk of governor-elect Dixy Lee Ray when she takes office next month.

The question, brewing for at least 15 years, is over labor will Washington state enforce a state law requiring American maritime pilots to be aboard Canada-bound vessels travelling in U.S. waters off Washington?

Haro Strait is a narrow, zig-zag channel west and north of the American San Juan Islands, between Bellingham and Victoria. The international border runs down its middle. Since ships inbound for Vancouver keep to the right of the buoy line, they are in U.S. waters, while outbound vessels are supposed to be in Canada for the trip to the Pacific Ocean.

Currently, Canadian pilots are at the helm both inbound and outbound, while American pilots time at the loss of some 20 fees a day. Canadian pilots board ships at Victoria and travel about 11 miles in U.S. waters and about 10 miles in Canadian waters.

The state has tried to ignore its own law but pay the Puget Sound Pilots Union insists it be enforced.

Canadians have threatened to divide the thin channel into

four shipping lanes if the Washington law is enforced — two for U.S. ships and two for Canadians.

The threat has sent some state lawmakers rushing to change the law. But proposals thus far have not brought peace. The state senate's marine transportation subcommittee has ordered more study.

The result, says state senator Don Bailey, 4D — Kelso, is a standoff, which will be handed to the incoming governor. Ray has been asked to assemble the many sides in the issue shortly after her inauguration.

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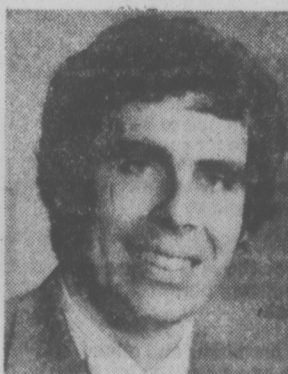
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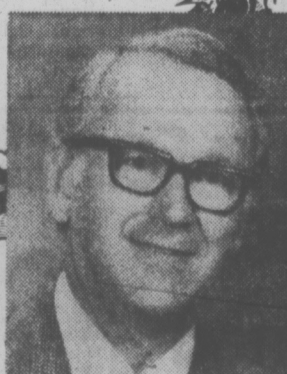
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Gramp's Yule: Jail as Usual

McNEIL ISLAND, Wash. (AP) — The toughest time of the year has arrived again for 79-year-old "Gramps," the oldest inmate at McNeil Island federal penitentiary.

Christmas is no fun for an aging bank robber who has spent more than 40 years behind bars.

Gramps, born into a rich west coast family, robbed banks during prohibition in the '20s and the great depression in the '30s. He finally was sentenced to 88 years in the Atlanta, Ga., penitentiary in 1939, convicted of four bank jobs.

He insists that his name not be published because "there are too many of the family around that could be hurt if they were connected with my name," he says.

His holidays have been spent in federal prisons at Atlanta; Leavenworth, Kan.;

Lewisburg, Pa.; and Springfield, Mo. He also served at the former penitentiary on Alcatraz Island. He has been at McNeil four times.

Canned Christmas music drifts down passageways and through cells. Watching the long shadows of sun describe black bar shadows on the concrete floor, Gramps said, "Christmas is the toughest time of the year for me. . . . The nights are the worst. You lie there in your lonely bunk and think, 'You say to yourself, 'I could have been out there with the family' and you know it's no use to think that way."

"But there's no use in going around with a long face. I try to make it better for myself and for the younger ones here."

His grandchildren are adults who visit him in prison. But he has refused a Christmas reunion.

"Some of the family wanted to come but I would never allow them to spoil their holiday," he said.

Gramps has been sentenced four times for bank robbery. Once outside bars, he tends to head for banks again and get into trouble.

"The system is turning against him, he acknowledged. Bank robbery is a federal offence now instead of the simple state offence it once was, and "those pesky hidden cameras" cramp his style.

If he walks out on parole next year as he hopes, "I have a little place . . . It's in a mountain range. The only way in or out is by helicopter or amphibious plane. When I get out, I'm going there and you'll never see me again."

Asked about money he might have outside as the fruit of his profession, Gramps says, "It's well taken care of."

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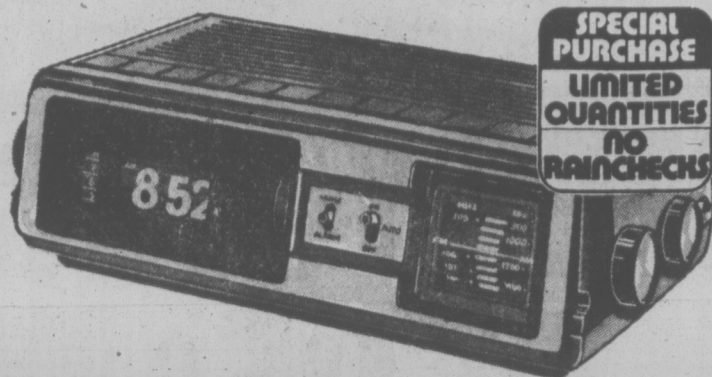


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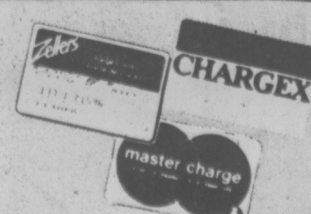
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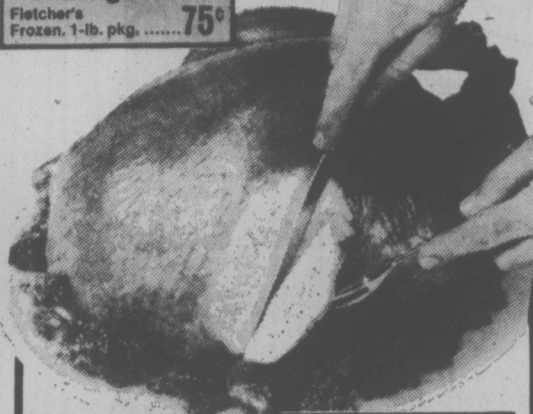
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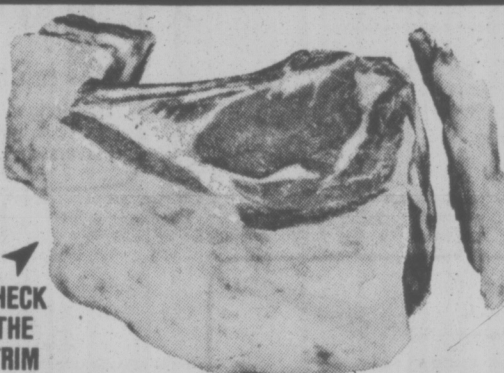
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Joy Canada's Top Male Athlete

By MEL SUFRIN
CP Sports Editor

Greg Joy, the tall, slender high-jumper who won Canada's first Olympic track and field medal in 12 years at the Montreal Games in July, is the Canadian male athlete of the year of 1976.

The 20-year-old native of Portland, Ore., who was raised in Vancouver and attends the University of Texas at El Paso, edged jockey Sandy Hawley in the annual

year-end poll by The Canadian Press.

Guy Lafleur of Montreal Canadiens, who led the National Hockey League in scoring last season, was third, and Tony Gabriel, the Ottawa Rough Riders tight end who led the Canadian Football League in passing, was fourth.

More than 150 sports writers and sportscasters in all 10 provinces cast ballots. Joy received 41 first-place votes, 21 seconds and 21 thirds. Based on a 3-2-1 value, they gave him 186 points. Hawley, 27-

year-old native of Oshawa, Ont., who now lives in Mississauga, Ont., received 26 firsts, 25 seconds and 19 thirds for 147 points.

The youngest jockey ever to win 3,000 career races in North America, Hawley was the winner of an Eclipse Award as the leading rider in 1976.

Lafleur, who won the scoring title with 56 goals and 69 assists for 125 points for the Stanley Cup winners, received 24 firsts, 21 seconds and nine thirds for 123 points.

And Gabriel, who caught

the game-winning touchdown with 20 seconds to play in Ottawa's 23-20 victory over Saskatchewan Roughriders in the Grey Cup game, was 15-23-17 for 108 points.

The six-foot-four Joy ended Canada's Olympic track and field medal drought on the final Saturday of the Montreal Games before more than 68,000 spectators in the rain-soaked Olympic Stadium. Millions more watched on television around the world.

His best jump of 2.23 metres was good for a silver medal and he pushed 19-year-

old Jacek Wszola of Poland to 2.25 to win the gold. But what gave the competition its main element of drama was the fact that Dwight Stones of the United States, the world record holder, could do no better than 2.21 metres and had to settle for the bronze.

Joy, now back at school in Texas, has proved since the Olympics that his performance was no fluke. In the Canadian championships in Regina in August he raised the Canadian and Commonwealth record to 2.26 metres, the fourth best in the world in

1976. And he came close to jumping 2.30, a height that only Stones has cleared.

Toller Cranston of Toronto, who turned professional after winning a bronze medal in the Olympics and a sixth consecutive Canadian men's figure skating title, was fifth with 94 points followed by Rogatien Vachon, the Los Angeles Kings goaltender who starred for Canada in the Canada Cup hockey series, with 76.

Among others were Michel Vaillancourt of Hudson, Que., silver medal winner individual equestrian jumping at the

Montreal Olympics; Bobby Hull, left-wing star with the World Hockey Association champion Winnipeg Jets; Darryl Sittler of Toronto Maple Leafs, who scored the winning goal over Czechoslovakia in the Canada Cup; Reggie Leach, who scored a record 81 regular-season and playoff goals for Philadelphia Flyers of the NHL; Philip DeSelle of Victoria, Canada's top male gymnast; downhill skier Dave Irwin of Thunder Bay, Ont., and canoeist John Wood of Mississauga, a silver medalist at the Olympics.



GREG JOY
Olympic medal winner

Kurtenbach's Back As Canucks' Coach

VANCOUVER (CP) — Orland Kurtenbach, Vancouver Canucks' first captain when they entered the National Hockey League, will be behind the bench tonight in Los Angeles as the club's fifth coach.

General manager Phil Maloney handed over the coaching responsibilities to Kurtenbach on Tuesday, saying: "I am disappointed with my record as coach this year and can no longer tolerate it."

Kurtenbach, who was coach of the year in the Central Hockey League last season with Tulsa Oilers, flew to Los Angeles Tuesday and will take charge of the Canucks at a practice today in preparation for a game with the Kings.

Kurtenbach takes over a club that is tied with Colorado Rockies for third place in the Conn Smythe Division, but which has the 17th-worst record in the NHL—nine wins and three ties in 35 games.

Maloney appeared relaxed and relieved after the decision was announced. "I have only one regret—that I didn't go out a winner. I feel I took this club from a hopeless position in the dressing room and the front office and built a solid base."

Maloney was appointed coach of the Canucks on Jan. 14, 1974, when Bill McCrory



ORLAND KURTENBACH
... takes charge today

was fired. Seventeen days later he was also appointed general manager.

Although the club finished seventh in the eight-team division, the Canucks played over 500 hockey for the remainder of the season and finished with their best-ever point total—59.

The next season in the re-

signed NHL, the Canucks finished first in the Smythe Division with 86 points. Last season they slipped to second with 82 points.

Maloney's over-all record with the Canucks is 95-105-32. Kurtenbach, who apprenticed as a pro with Vancouver of the Western Hockey League, played 11 seasons in the NHL with New York Rangers, Boston Bruins, Toronto Maple Leafs and the Canucks.

He will be getting a pay raise to coach in Vancouver but his contract will not be extended at this time. Maloney will take a substantial pay cut now that he has one job.

"We have been grooming Kurt for this job," Maloney said. "He was a natural. He lives in Vancouver and he is respected here as a player by the fans and media. He also knows our personnel very well."

Maloney said Kurtenbach will be free to handle the Canucks exactly as he sees fit and there will be no immediate player changes in the club.

Kurtenbach's replacement in Tulsa will likely be announced today. The Canucks operate the CHL franchise along with Atlanta, and Maloney feels the Flames should have the first chance to make a replacement.

Henderson Hurt in 2-2 Tie

DOUG PEDEN - EDITOR

Westfall's Second Broke Boston's Back

FLAMES SHELLOUT TO HELP CLUB

ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta Flames said Tuesday the team's players will purchase \$25,000 worth of tickets in an effort to keep the National Hockey League club in Atlanta.

In a joint announcement with Gov. George Busbee, Flames players said they had volunteered to contribute 1/2 per cent of their salaries to the ticket purchase.

By The Canadian Press

Right winger Ed Westfall scored two goals Tuesday night, one with a team-mate in the penalty box, to lead New York Islanders' past Boston Bruins, 3-0.

In the only other National Hockey League game Tuesday, Minnesota North Stars and Chicago Black Hawks played to a 3-3 tie.

Westfall, 36, took a Lorne Henning pass in the neutral zone. He passed Boston defenceman Brad Park and sent his own rebound past former teammate Gerry Cheevers for the game's closing goal. "It came at a good time because Boston wasn't out of the game by any means," Westfall said.

The Bruins, turned back 30 times by New York goalie Billy Smith, mounted their most serious attacks in the third period. Then, 38 seconds after Islanders left winger Garry Howatt was sent to the penalty box, Westfall delivered the backbreaker against his former mates.

He was pleased not only to have scored a second time but to have been used in a key situation, killing the penalty, by coach Al Arbour.

"I guess the greatest compliment any athlete can be paid is to be put into a game in key situations," said West-

fall, who played for Boston for 10 years before becoming an Islander.

The Bruins had no need for J. P. Parise in 1977. They left him exposed in the expansion draft when the league doubled in size from six teams to 12.

He repaid Boston with the game's opening goal — a significant one for the Islanders, since they've won 13 and tied two of the 16 home games in which they've scored first.

They won the game because of Islanders goaltender Billy Smith, whose outstanding performance produced his first shutout of the season and New York's first victory over Boston since March 15, 1975.

At Bloomington, Minn., Duane Wylie's second goal of the game lifted the Black Hawks into their tie with the North Stars.

The tie stretched Chicago's winless streak to 11 games, including three draws, and extended Minnesota's to 10 with four ties.

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PRO BASKETBALL

NBA
NY Knicks 133, Detroit 103.
Cleveland 102, Boston 101.
New Orleans 123, Indiana 113.
San Antonio 105, Golden State 100.
Chicago 102, Seattle 101.
Denver 108, Philadelphia 94.
Los Angeles 97, Buffalo 89.
Portland 99, Kansas City 94.

Blues, Leafs Tie

Cheminus Blues and Maple Leafs battled to a 3-3 deadlock Tuesday night in a South Island Big Six Hockey League game at Esquimalt Sports Centre.

Cheminus has a 1-0 lead after the first period and Leafs were ahead 3-2 going into the final frame before Doug Lafleur scored with 6:06

remaining to tie it up for the Blues.

John Nicoletti and Peter Lemon scored the other goals for Cheminus while Ron McNeil, Kerry Brewster and Chris Riddell replied for Leafs.

Vic Mall blocked 22 shots on the Cheminus net while Ken Olson and Gary Hunt combined to make 23 saves for Leafs.

It was the only time the Victoria power-play worked. They had four other power-play chances, including a three-minute stretch in the third period because of a major to Kamloops' George Wright.

Kamloops connected once in four power-play tries. That was the goal by Gallimore, coming at 11:30 of the third period, and it helped Chiefs to come back.

Selects Edge Voyageurs

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — Moscow "Selects" defeated Nova Scotia Voyageurs of the American Hockey League 4-2 in an exhibition game played Tuesday before 3,600 fans.

The Rams and Vikings have been the most successful teams in the NFC for several years. Yet neither has won a Super Bowl. In the last four years, the Rams have a 44-11-1 record while Minnesota is 45-10-1. The tie occurred when the two played a 10-10 game three months ago.

HORRIGAN, HODGE GET CONSOLS BERTHS

Tim Horrigan and Harvey Hodge claimed the last two berths for Victoria Curling Club in the South Island men's Consols playdowns by winning their final games at Victoria Club Tuesday night. Horrigan defeated Brad Clarke 3-4 while Hodge scored two in the ninth to tie the score and then stole two in the 10th to defeat Lynol Mack 7-5.

Horrigan and Hodge will join Keith Dagg and Steve Skilling as VCC reps in the 24-rink playdown at Playland Curling Club, Jan. 14-16. Dagg and Skilling won their first two games Monday.

Eight rinks took part in the double knockout VCC playdown.

Cowboys Extend Mark

Calgary Cowboys were able to maintain the worst record in the World Hockey Association when they suffered their 12th defeat in 16 starts on the road by bowing 4-1 to Edmonton Oilers on Tuesday night.

The Cowboys, mired in last place in the Western Division—seven points behind the Oilers and two behind fifth-place Phoenix Roadrunners—have gained only one tie while on the road.

Their home record improves. They have 11

wins and four losses on home ice and with five games in hand, could improve that performance.

In other games Tuesday, Houston Aeros moved within one point of second-place Winnipeg Jets in the Western Division by blanking New England Whalers 4-0, while Birmingham Bulls nudged Quebec Nordiques 3-2.

At Edmonton, the Oilers broke a 1-1 deadlock in the first period and added two goals in the second period

and an insurance marker in the final session to coast to their 16th win of the season.

Glen Sather, Bob Nevin, Dave Langevin and Gavin Kirk scored for the Oilers. Mike Ford scored Calgary's lone goal while the Cowboys held a two-man advantage late in the opening period.

At Houston, Aero netminder Ron Grahame notched his second shutout of the season and the 10th of his career as he blocked 18 New England drives to lead Houston to the win.

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Hawley Award Winner

NEW YORK (UPI) — Canadian Sandy Hawley was named the winner of the Eclipse Award Tuesday as the outstanding jockey of 1976.

The 27-year-old Hawley, who held the North American record for victories in a single season before his total of 515 was surpassed in 1974 by Chris McCarron.

Hawley scored his 3000th career victory on Dec. 4 at Greenwood, but spent the majority of the year riding at the major California race tracks. Hawley is engaged in a battle with Angel Cordero for top money earnings this year as each has passed the \$5-million mark. Hawley also is in a contest with Laffit Pincay, Jr., for most victories.

In 1974, Hawley became the first jockey to win the Lou Marsh Award as Canada's outstanding athlete, and he repeated the feat this year. Hawley will be honored at the sixth annual Eclipse Awards dinner in Los Angeles on Feb. 11, 1977. The Eclipse Awards are sponsored and selected by the thoroughbred racing associations, the Daily Racing Form and the National Turf Writers Association.

SPORTS MENU

TONIGHT
HOCKEY
8 p.m. — South Island Junior "B" League, Saanich Braves vs. Fuller Lake Flyers, Fullers Arena.

9 p.m. — South Island Big Six League, Juan de Fuca Merchants vs. Victoria Athletics, Juan de Fuca Arena.

THURSDAY
WRESTLING Professional card, Memorial Arena.

HOCKEY
8 p.m. — South Vancouver Island Junior "B" League, Oak Bay Trifles vs. Victoria Rays, Red Wings, Oak Bay Arena.
8:25 p.m. — South Island Big Six League, Victoria Athletics vs. Maple Leafs, Peakes Arena.

GUATEMALA OUSTED
SAN SALVADOR (Reuters) — El Salvador has advanced to the 1978 World Cup soccer finals in Argentina by defeating Guatemala 2-0.

HOCKEY TRAIL

IZVESTIA TOURNAMENT
Winnipeg (WHA) 2, Finland 1.
Soviet Union 2, Czechoslovakia 2.
EXHIBITION
Moscow Selects 4, Nova Scotia 2.
Kingsdon (OHL) 4.

CENTRAL LEAGUE
Kamloops 4, Salt Lake City 1.
WESTERN INTERNATIONAL
Cranbrook 6, Kimberley 2.
SASKATCHEWAN JUNIOR
Moose Jaw 3, Estevan 1.
Weyburn 3, Regina 3.
Humboldt 6, Wainwright 1.
ALBERTA JUNIOR
2, Edmonton 3, Fort Saskatchewan 2.
Red Deer 5, Calgary 4.
Penitence 6, Merritt 2.
Langley 3, White River 1.
PACIFIC JUNIOR
1, Richmond 3, Vancouver 1.

O.C. SOCCER

LONDON (Reuters) — Tuesday's British soccer scores:
ENGLISH FA CUP
Second-round Replays
Swindon 3, Hibernian 2.
Rotherham 2, York 1.
Sheff Wednesday 2, Bury 1.
Chesterfield 6, Watford 1.
ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division II
Bolton 2, Luton 1.

FLYNN IN FOLD

CINCINNATI (AP) — Infielder Doug Flynn has signed a one-year contract with Cincinnati Reds, boosting player signings to 11 for baseball's world champions.

AMBER BELIEVES SHE'S THE BABE AND ENJOYS BEATING UP BOYS

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) — Eleven-year-old Amber Hunt thinks she's Babe Didrikson and talks and fights like Muhammad Ali.

Amber, a 65-pound slugger with a powerful right, knocked out Freddie Gonzales 55 seconds into the second round of a Golden Gloves match recently — just as she predicted in a poem the day before.

"You asked me who?"

"Freddie's his name."

"He'll go out in round two."

That's what the wiry fifth-grader told listeners to a radio talk show who couldn't quite believe a girl would be allowed to compete in a fight sanctioned by the Golden Gloves.

It was her second official fight and the second one in which she predicted the round she would knock out her 11-year-old male opponent. A week earlier she bloodied the nose of Willi Medina 55 seconds into the first round, pleasing a crowd of screaming fans at the Salt Lake Fairgrounds Coliseum.

Mike Bullock, her boxing coach, says to his knowledge Amber is the first girl to fight Golden Gloves matches against boys in the United States. He says her goal is to box in the Olympic Games.

"Her dad brought his boys down to the gym and Amber came along with them," Bullock, 19, himself a regional Golden Gloves champion, said. "She started working

out with the boys. They quit. She stayed."

Amber says she loves athletics and prefers boxing to swimming and track — other sports in which she excels. But she has some other reasons, too.

"I like to beat up boys, to show them what a girl can do," said the pint-sized pugilist, who seriously believes she is Babe Didrikson reincarnate.

The family believes in Buddhism and reincarnation. Explains her father, Jack Hunt. He said Amber saw a television movie about the famous female track and golf star who died on cancer in 1956. "She really thinks she's Babe. That probably why she works so hard," he said.

Soviets Confirm Deal 92 Play

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Olympic Committee confirmed today that it has signed a "co-operation" agreement with a United States trading company for the American television rights to the 1980 Summer Games in Moscow.

But a spokesman for the Soviets stressed that the "rights have not been sold to anyone" and said the committee would continue to negotiate with other U.S. companies, such as the major networks NBC, CBS and ABC.

A representative for Satra Corp., a New York-based company with 23 years of business dealings with the Russians, said the Soviets had provisionally awarded the rights to his firm, for a "flexible" price he did not wish to reveal, pending approval by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

The three top U.S. networks walked out of negotiations with the Soviets last Friday, after being told the winning firm would have to guarantee

\$50 million for basic facilities beyond payment for the rights.

Satra Corp., whose participation in the rights talks was announced at the last minute, remained talking to the Soviet committee throughout the weekend.

A protocol agreement was signed Tuesday, according to Satra and Soviet representatives.

While not disagreeing with the Soviet version of what was signed, Satra spokesman

Carl Longley Jr. interpreted the agreement as a clear approval of his firm to handle American television coverage of the 1980 Games.

"We've come to a satisfactory arrangement on the rights," Longley said, refusing to discuss any of the monetary terms.

Estimates of what it would cost an American television company to win the U.S. rights to the 22nd Olympiad have run as high as \$100 million.

In Yule Tourney

The novelty of playing in Canada's only Christmas holiday golf tournament may be wearing off.

A disappointing entry of only 92 golfers — 69 men and 23 women — has been received for Victoria's annual Christmas Tree tournament.

Limit-filling fields have been the custom in most of the 17 previous tournaments.

Defending champion John Russell of Glen Meadows, one of five former winners on hand, heads the men's entries. Other past champions are Dave Donaldson, a former George Vale member now living in Vancouver, Uplands veteran Gord Pelow, and two other Glen Meadows golfers — Keith Swetnam and Hal Jacobsen.

The 18-hole medal event, to be played at Uplands, will start with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

Sunday's draw:

1A: Grant Milliken, G.V.; Gord Pelow, U.; John Russell, G.M.; Jim Taylor, U.
1B: R. Pollock, G.M.; Jeff Jones, G.V.; Dave Donaldson, G.V.; Ross Logan, G.
2A: Brian Sluggitt, G.M.; Keith Swetnam, G.M.; Jack Breffitt, U.; Art Bridge, G.
2B: Brian Sluggitt, G.M.; Reg Effe, G.M.; Dave Anderson, V.; Bill Woodall, P.S.
3A: Bernice Breffitt, U.; Edna Wray, R.C.; Peter Jacobson, G.V.; Maureen Hilborn, G.V.
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6B: Louise Robertson, U.; Joan Martin, Van.; Patricia Montgomerie, Van.
7A: Marion Sluggitt, G.M.; Phillys Pys, CH; Joan Parks, R.C.; Isabel Locatelli, U.
7B: Jack Ramsay, G.V.; Art Parks, R.C.; John Sims, Van.; Shawn Montgomery, Van.
8A: Locatelli, U.; Robert Faulkner, F.M.; Bill Finlay, CH; Bill Sheppard, G.M.
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9A: W. Weston, G.M.; F. Unwin, U.; Don Duncan, R.C.; Ray Rose, U.
9B: Ted Parkin, U.; E. Robinson, G.V.; George Birnie, U.; Archie Gillies, G.V.
10A: Wally Robertson, U.; Dave Pys, G.V.; R. Manchester, R.
10B: Rhoda Duncan, R.C.; Eddie Smith, G.M.; Shirley Roberts, G.V.; Phillys MacKenzie, G.V.
11A: Maureen Bridge, G.V.; Marg Parkin, U.; Betty Noble, CH; Kay Richardson, R.C.
11B: Jack Turner, G.V.; John Smith, G.V.; W. Kenal, G.V.
12A: Del Delahunt, G.V.; Greg Roberts, U.; Don Norbury, G.M.
12B: CH — Cedar Hill; Cow-Cow, CH; Glen Meadows, G.V.; George Vale; Qual-Quilcom, U.; Uplands; Van-Vancouver; Prince George; FM-Fairmont; V-Victoria.



"That's the fifth time you've wished me a Merry Christmas; what are you up to?"

Braves Break Tie For League Lead

Saanich Braves tripped Esquimalt Legion 7-4 Tuesday night before 402 fans at Peakes Arena to snap a tie for first place in the South Vancouver Island Junior "B" Hockey League.

The win pushed Braves two points ahead of Fuller Lake Flyers, who they meet at 8:30 tonight at Fuller Lake Arena and again Dec. 28 at Peakes. Murray McLaren, Ed Breudt and Bud Adkin fired two goals each to pace Saanich while a single goal was

punched into an empty net by Rob Collwell in the dying seconds. Terry Parsons, Murray Allen, Mark Bowles and Jerry Lindal replied for Esquimalt.

Mike Duch made 35 stops for Saanich, which held period leads of 3-1 and 5-2, while Esquimalt goalkeeper Brock Davies made 33 saves.

Next game: Tonight — Saanich at Fuller Lake, 8:30 p.m.

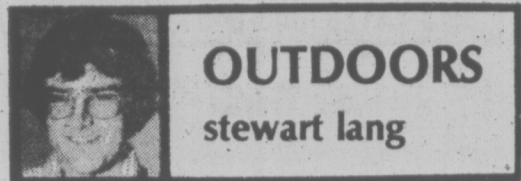
Robinson 'Analyzing' Dual Offer

BALTIMORE (AP) — Third-baseman Brooks Robinson of Baltimore Orioles was offered a one-year contract as a player-coach Monday.

"We have offered Brooks a player-coach contract — for 1977, and he is thinking things over," said Hank Peters, Orioles general manager. "We are hopeful and optimistic he will accept it."

Robinson, 16-time gold-glove award winner, completed his 22nd season with the American League baseball club last summer as a part-timer after Doug DeCinces took over at third base in May.

Robinson said he was "analyzing" the proposal but had not reached a decision.



OUTDOORS

'Re-Introducing' Moose An Amusing Suggestion

Some rambling notes along the trail:

Had a quiet chuckle recently over a piece written by Victorian outdoors columnist Gerry Gieskens. . . . Along with some of the old tired tirades against antlerless deer and hen pheasants, he proposes not only re-establishing the bounty on cougars and removing wolves from game animal status but adds: "Moose should be re-introduced to Vancouver Island and new animals added each year." . . . Sorry, Gerry. . . . The closest moose have ever come to the Island — and that only occurred in recent years — is the Klamath River estuary at the head of Knight Inlet. . . . Anyone for "re-introducing" mountain sheep to the Sooke hills?

Fish and wildlife branch biologists have compiled some road check statistics from the 1976 deer hunting season on the Island. . . . A total of 761 bucks and 282 does were checked at seven stations during the season. . . . A breakdown of those totals with doe numbers in brackets are as follows: Cowichan Lake 108 (23); Northwest Bay 35 (10); Nanaimo Lakes 11 (9); Nanaimo River 16 (6); Trout Creek 128 (47); Elk Falls 315 (134); Kelsey Bay 127 (59). . . . Feel free to draw your own interpretations.

Pete Stephenson won the Frothing Derby for Chinook Club members of the Victoria-Saanich Inlet Anglers' Association last Sunday with a salmon that tipped the scales at seven pounds, two ounces. . . . Al Price (5.04) and John Rose (4.12) were second and third, respectively. . . . Hidden-weight winners were Win Rose and Mark Heine.

Environmentalists should spare a little time from the worthwhile task of dogging our provincial government to turn eyes southward from time to time. . . . After all, pollution knows no political boundaries. . . . Voters in Washington State have re-elected congressman Mike McCormack, who has a poor voting record on environmental issues, and have elected Dixie Lee Ray as governor. . . . Ray is a strong proponent of nuclear power and supports the use of Puget Sound for oil tanker traffic. . . . A little heart can be taken from the fact that Jimmy Carter has a strong record of understanding and supporting the environmental movement.

If and when we get enough snow to strap on the slats again, recreational skiers will again have an opportunity to participate in the Molson Molstar program. . . . This event allows casual skiers to have friendly contests among themselves without the pressures of full competition. . . . Times are taken on a relatively simple slalom course and the results are measured against those of professional-calibre skiers to provide a handicap rating. . . . Skiers coming within 20 per cent of a certain "par" for the course they are competing on will receive a gold medal. . . . Those coming within 35 per cent get a silver and within 55 per cent receive a bronze. . . . The \$1 entry fee also helps support both local ski instructors and the national ski team. . . . Forbidden Plateau and Green Mountain will be holding Molstar races on the Island this season.

Speaking about skiing. . . . Formation of the Canadian Association of Nordic Ski Instructors recently has standardized cross-country certification across Canada. . . . Courses for instructors have been set up in British Columbia and further information may be obtained from: C.A.N.S.A., 2633 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C. V6K 2G2.

A Sweep by Canadians

CABLE, Wis. (AP) — Twin sisters Sharon and Shirley Firth of Inuvik, N.W.T., finished first and third, while another Canadian-Joan Groot-huys of Bonnevillie, Alta., took second place in the opening race of the World Cup cross-country ski meet at Mt. Telemark here.

First place in the women's five-kilometre race went to

Sharon Firth, who covered the course in an unofficial time of 15 minutes, 47.05 seconds.

Groot-huys finished less than two seconds behind in second place, followed by Shirley Firth, about 2½ seconds behind her sister.

Pat Engberg of the United States was fourth among the 24 competitors, all from the U.S. and Canada.



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ENGLAND NEAR VICTORY

NEW DELHI (Reuters) — England was in sight of victory after the fourth day of the first cricket test against India Tuesday. Early morning mist lapped, one hour 40 minutes off the start of the day and then bad light brought the close forward by 20 minutes.

But there was enough time in between for the England spin attack of Derek Underwood and Tony Greig to reduce India to 216 for seven in the second innings, still 43 runs from saving an innings defeat.

Underwood and Greig bowled all but two of the day's over. Underwood took four wickets, including the important one of Sunil Gavaskar, while Greig's two victims included India's other batting stalwart Gundappa Viswanath.

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Evert, Connors Tops in Tennis

NEW YORK (UPI) — Tennis continued to skyrocket in popularity in 1976, when

even Snoopy dreamed of playing at Wimbledon, and leading the excitement were a pair of grown up former sweethearts, Jimmy Connors and Chris Evert, who took home more than \$1 million in winnings between them.

Connors regained his crown as king of the courts with brilliant consistency and a savage attacking style. In winning 12 tournaments, including triumphs over Bjorn Borg in the finals of the U.S. Pro Tennis, Connors banked \$303,335, just under Arthur Ashe's record \$306,712 in 1975. However, in total court winnings, which include challenge matches, Connors broke his own record with a gross income of \$687,335.

Connors got his chance to gloat at those who said he was washed up in 1975, that he had lost his fighting edge after one of the finest seasons ever posted by a tennis player in 1974, the year he won Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and just about everything else. But rather than gloat too much, Connors seemed genuinely touched by an incident that occurred after his triumph at Forest Hills.

Standing on a platform after beating Borg 6-4, 3-6, 7-6, 6-4 and receiving the \$30,000 winner's check, a gold tennis ball and a silver cup, the 23-year-old Connors basked in the glory of 16,253

fans standing and cheering him.

"Did you hear them?" asked Connors, as if he doubted his own ears. "That sounded real nice."

For one who had been booed and criticized so often for his gestures and court antics, the applause was worth more to Connors than the money. The "enfant terrible" of tennis had finally become a man.

Two years ago Connors danced with women's champion Chris Evert then his fiancée, at the Wimbledon victory ball. Though they remain friends, their affections are now focused on others. And like Connors, Chris has done considerable growing up.

Far from projecting the icy, distant image she had when she began her assault on women's tennis as a teen-ager, alienating many of the other women players, Evert took stands on several major issues as new women at Wimbledon, and was relaxed and confident in interviews before and after her matches.

Evert's personality changed but her game did not. Like a machine that needs only occasional tuning, she planted herself on the baseline and ground out victory after victory, 11 in all, for \$343,165 in total winnings.

Evert, 22-years-old on Monday, dominated women's tennis in 1976 to such a degree that the major interest in the tournaments she entered concerned her eventual confrontations with Evonne Goolagong.

While some thought Goolagong, the 1975 Wimbledon winner, might be headed for her best season, Evert frustrated her rival from Australia most of the year.

Evert beat Goolagong in straight sets in the finals of the World Series of women's tennis in January, lost to her in three sets in the finals of the Virginia Slims championships, but then beat her in the finals of Wimbledon (6-3, 4-6, 8-6) and the U.S. Open (6-3, 6-0). Evert's performance at Forest Hills was so incredibly strong — she lost just 12 games out of 84 and never dropped a set — she considered it the best tennis she had ever played in her life.

If Connors and Evert had super powers in 1976, Borg and Goolagong came up just short of that.

Borg, 20-years-old and a professional since the age of 14, won the WCT championship, Wimbledon and the U.S. pro championship at Brookline, Mass., but missed a chance at laying claim to the unofficial title of best in the world when he lost several weeks to injury in mid-year and then dropped the U.S. Open final match to Connors.

Borg's performance at Wimbledon, however, might have been the most inspired of the year. Playing with a severe stomach muscle injury on the fast grass surface, Borg played the finest tennis of his career, sweeping through the field with the help of cortisone shots to kill the

pain and finally winning the finals 6-4; 6-2, 9-7 against Ilie Nastase.

Nastase distinguished himself in 1976 by winning four tournaments, coming in second several times and banking nearly \$600,000 in total court earnings. But his most memorable performance came in the U.S. Open where, in a match against West Germany's Hans-Jürgen Pohmann, Nastase repeatedly cursed at officials, spat at Pohmann after beating him, tried to climb a fence after a small boy heckling him on the way back to the locker room and then nearly came to blows with Pohmann, who Nastase had said he would

"treat like Hitler," according to Pohmann. It was the ugliest incident in a long line of disagreeable scenes by Nastase in tournaments around the world.

Tournament Total
 Jimmy Connors \$802,335 \$687,335
 Ilie Nastase 163,205 569,205
 Raul Ramirez 153,442 445,942
 Bjorn Borg 199,420 466,420
 Arthur Ashe 163,436 348,386
 Manuel Santana 205,884 311,884
 Guillermo Vilas 201,228 245,228
 Harold Solomon 192,182 263,432
 Eddie Dibbs 171,571 229,821
 Brian Gottfried 168,033 226,333

WOMEN
Tournament Total
 Chris Evert \$289,165 \$243,165
 Evonne Goolagong 172,285 209,952
 Virginia Wade 124,880 157,712
 Martina Navratilova 94,535 127,035
 Rosemary Casals 57,185 113,485
 Sue Barker 69,640 92,493
 Betty Stove 65,035 88,558
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WESTERN DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
New West.	34	20	8	6	153	97
VICTORIA	36	16	4	6	139	38
Kamloops	38	15	5	8	162	58
Portland	33	17	2	15	131	32

CENTRAL DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Lethbridge	33	16	10	7	171	141
Medicine H.	36	13	7	10	155	39
Calgary	37	14	7	6	174	187
Winnipeg	33	15	6	2	160	166

EASTERN DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Brandon	38	28	6	4	219	122
Saskatoon	34	16	15	3	157	147
Flin Flin	35	7	18	10	148	189
Regina	37	2	30	5	87	251

Next game: Jan. 3, Calgary at Medicine Hat.

VICTORIA 2, KAMLOOPS 2

First Period
 1. Victoria, Robertson (14) (Lapin) 15:19
 Penalties — Jansch (V) 3:38; Henderson (K) 6:03; Wright (K) 8:35; Thomas (K) 13:45; Robinson (K) 14:11.

Second Period
 2. Victoria, Henderson (9) 4:16
 Penalties — Gallimore (K) (major), Robertson (V) 7:22; Bannerman (V) 7:34; Reck (V) 15:15; Kerr (K) (double minor, misconduct, game misconduct) Young (K) (misconduct) 17:54; Henderson (V), Soetart (K) (majors) 20:00.

Third Period
 3. Kamloops, Gallimore (Eccles, Young) 11:20
 Kamloops, Dies (Wright) 15:19; Penalties — Wright (K) (major), Heck (V) 3:21; Spencer (V) 11:21.

Shots on goal: 14 11 11 — 36
 Kamloops 6 21 18 — 45
 Goal — Bannerman, Victoria; Nakrayko, Henderson, Kamloops. Attendance — 1967.

WINNIPEG (3) — Scott, Hall, Dave, Isherwood, Tom, Rouleau.

BRANDON (3) — Dan Bonar, Bill Derango, Brian Prosp. Attendance: 1,976.

PORTLAND (3) — Wayne Babych, Ron Vincent, Paul Mulvey, AL GALT. (4) — Gary Helling, Glen Wylie, Paul Enquist, Doug Robb, Kevin Willison. Attendance: 1,222.

THIRD PERIOD
 2. NY Islanders, Westfall (8) (Hemming) 14:11.
 Penalties — Cheevers (Bos) 2:14; D. Polvin (NYI) 3:58; Howatt (NYI) 12:22.
 Shots on goal by:
 Boston 13 7 10 — 30
 NY Islanders 11 7 4 — 22
 Goal — Cheevers, Boston; Smith, NY Islanders.
 Attendance — 14,985.

ADAMS DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Boston	34	21	11	2	129	107
Buffalo	31	29	8	3	114	73
Toronto	34	16	12	6	130	111
Cleveland	34	10	17	7	99	114

NORRIS DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Montreal	33	26	5	4	167	76
Los Angeles	34	11	13	10	108	105
Pittsburgh	31	13	15	5	102	115
Detroit	32	11	17	4	92	112
Washington	32	10	18	4	91	130

Next games: Tonight — Philadelphia at New York Rangers, Detroit at Atlanta, Pittsburgh at Toronto, Vancouver at Los Angeles, Buffalo at Chicago, Minnesota at Cleveland, St. Louis at Colorado.

CHICAGO 3, MINNESOTA 3

First Period
 1. Minnesota, Jensen (4) (Eriksson, Beverley) 6:41.
 2. Minnesota, Pirus (4) (Nantais, Nantais) 19:44.
 Penalties — Mulvey (Chi) 0:09; Koroll (Chi) 4:35.

Second Period
 Chicago, Wylie (1) (Hull) 10:07.
 Minnesota, Talafous (13) (Young, Bialowas) 11:09.
 Penalties — Magnusson (Chi) 6:23; Hicke (Min) 7:55; O'Brien (Min) 9:45.

Third Period
 3. Chicago, Bowman (5) (Russell) 2:17.
 4. Chicago, Wylie (2) (Hull, Mulvey) 5:27.
 Penalties — None.

Shots on goal by:
 Chicago 5 4 10 — 19
 Minnesota 14 15 6 — 35
 Goal — Espotito, Chicago; LoPresti, Minnesota.
 Attendance — 7607.

BOSTON 6, NY ISLANDERS 3

First Period
 NY Islanders, Parise (11) (Nyström, Price) 16:46.
 Penalties — Wilbury (Bos) 7:49; Smith (NYI) 14:26.

Second Period
 NY Islanders, Westfall (7) (Howatt, Trotter) 5:16.
 Penalty — Cheevers (Bos) 12:22.

WHA SUMMARIES

WESTERN DIVISION

P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
San Diego	34	20	12	2	119	105
Winnipeg	31	18	12	1	145	105
Houston	33	16	4	1	112	69
Edmonton	36	15	19	1	97	124
Phoenix	32	18	7	1	112	59
Calgary	31	12	17	2	92	99

EASTERN DIVISION

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Quebec	19	13	1	1	129	39
Indianapolis	32	18	12	2	108	116
Cincinnati	32	14	12	1	100	103
Minnesota	32	14	14	1	100	103
New England	34	13	17	4	111	122
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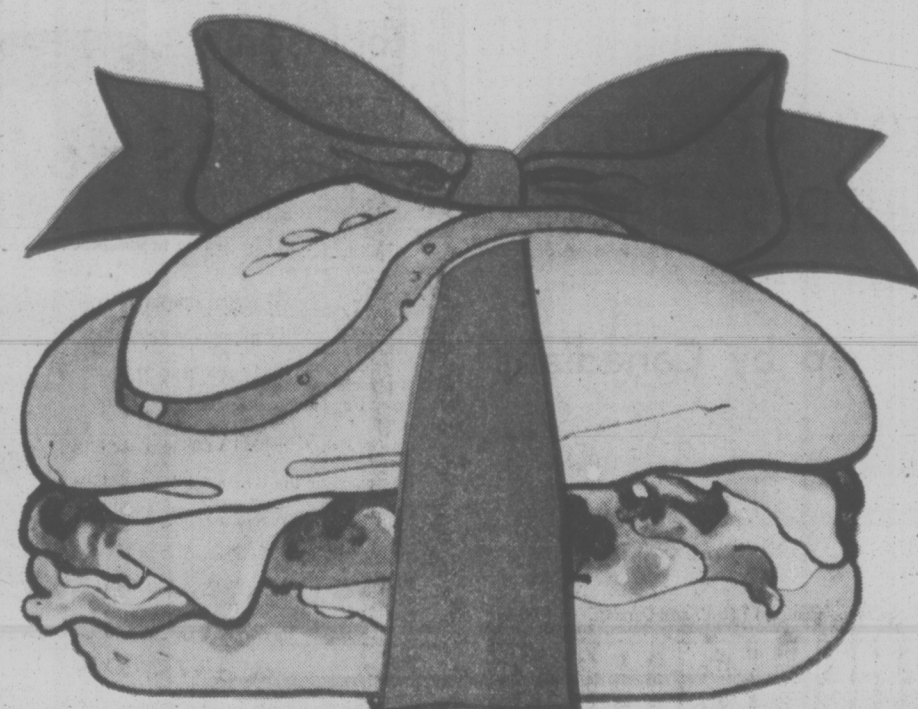
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JOBLESS LOGGERS NOT COMPLAINING

PORT ALBERNI (CP) — Although 2,500 loggers are out of work they are not complaining because they have enjoyed one of their best years in recent times, an International Woodworkers of America spokesman said today.

Earl Foxcroft, president of IWA Local 185, said a logging shutdown is not abnormal for this time of year, but some workers could face hardship if logging does not begin early in January.

The major forest companies announced the layoffs in November, which they blamed on poor market conditions and high inventories.

Foxcroft said inventories are high but companies are taking a chance that bad weather will not stop logging

in the first months of the new year.

Jim Jarmson, president of Local 686 of the Canadian Paperworkers' Union, said MacMillan Bloedel pulp and paper operations at Port Alberni are scheduled to shut down for a few weeks starting Wednesday.

He said the shutdown will bring no hardships and is accepted by most of the workers.

"They are not losing that much," he said.

"Our people aren't complaining at all."

The local union officials' comments differ from those made by Vancouver-based union chiefs when the layoffs were announced.

IWA regional chairman Jack Munro said at that time the layoffs were unnecessary and out of the ordinary.

\$15.5M Ferry Grant Sought

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Premier Bill Bennett said Tuesday he will make every effort to extract a \$15.5 million a year subsidy from Ottawa for all B.C. salt water ferry routes.

But the people who this time precipitated the long-standing fight between Ottawa and B.C. — the residents of Ocean Falls — are going to have to wait until the two governments settle their differences before they see any improvement in their ferry service.

The federal government early this fall cancelled its annual \$4 million subsidy to Northland Navigation, the private company which had been operating the ferry service to Ocean Falls, and other mid-coast communities.

After Northland cancelled its service, the provincial government arranged some interim routes, but the mid-coast residents are unhappy with the solution.

Bennett indicated again Tuesday that all mid-coast routes will remain in their chaotic state until the federal government comes through with some money.

The premier repeated the argument of successive governments in B.C. since the ferry service was instituted 20 years ago that east coast ferries receive subsidies, while the west coast must go it alone.

East coast ferries, the premier said, received \$108 million this year from Ottawa, while the west coast this year received only \$4 million and, with the cancellation of the Northland grant, will get less than \$1 million next year.

Bennett calls the east-west gap a "shocking disparity" that he means to correct.

B.C. wants Ottawa to pay half of the annual operating deficit of all B.C. ferries and highways department ferries operating in salt water on the coast.

This year's bill to Ottawa, under that formula, would be \$15.5 million, with the province picking up the other half of the tab.

In a telegram to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau Tuesday, Bennett urges the federal government to help the province provide better ferry service in B.C.

"In doing so, you will not only be serving the best interests of our taxpayers, but you will also be agreeing to a financial formula which will stand up for years to come," the telegram says.

Bennett said he has asked for a meeting Jan. 10 in Victoria with the four B.C. federal cabinet ministers — Len Marchand, Iona Campagnola, Ron Bastard and Senate leader Ray Perrault — and hopes they will carry his message back to the prime minister.

DRINK CONTROL TRIED BY 1,829

VANCOUVER (CP) — A detoxification worker was one of 1,829 people who used a new downtown detoxification centre during its first 10 months of operation, the provincial alcohol and drug commission said in a news release Tuesday.

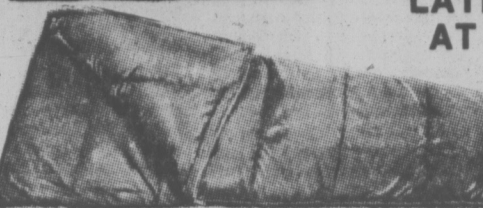
In addition, five doctors also booked in voluntarily to try to control their excessive drinking.

The release said drinkers in the following categories used the centre: two; accountants, 23; armed forces, two; business, self-

employed, 26; managerial, 63; supervisors, 33; foremen, 25; chefs or cooks, 65; dentists, two; detoxification workers, one; doctors, five; executives, six; housewives, 69; lawyers, three; optometrists, one; unspecified workers, 285; pharmacists, one; retired, 10; secretaries and office workers, 53; skid-road alcoholics, 339; skilled trades, 339; social workers, 18; students, four; teachers, seven; university staff, two; unskilled labor, 311; veterans, 74; veterinarians, one.



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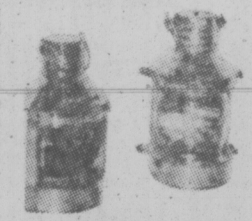
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North Quadra Area Community Plan Set

A basic community plan for 208 acres in north Quadra was adopted Tuesday by Saanich council's lands, planning and housing committee.

The committee will recommend that minimum lot sizes in the area be set at 7,000 square feet. The whole area will be declared a development area and developed under land-use contracts.

Also to be declared a development area with 7,000-square foot minimum lots is the adjacent Lucas Avenue property.

Municipal planner Gil Laursen told the committee 44 acres will remain as open space, eight acres will be used for a school site, 19 acres for townhouses and the remaining 137 acres for single-family homes.

Laursen said the plan is expected to produce a population of 2,217 in some 228 townhouses and 511 single-family homes.

The plan also calls for use of B.C. Hydro right-of-ways as open space links, pedestrian links and retention of certain low-lying areas for ponds and runoff purposes.

The planner said impost fees would be levied to pay for park areas.

"If there is no impost fee, we can't afford roads and parks," chairman Ald. John McDonald said.

Ald. Joe Bourque said he is "delighted to see townhouses included in the plan."

"At least two developers are ready, once we have prepared these guidelines, to come forward with specific proposals," Bourque added.

The committee will also recommend the 46 acres behind the Royal Oak Inn, belonging to the Isherwood family, be declared a development area.

The Isherwoods propose to build 480 apartments in the area but municipal administrator Bill Tremayne said that declaring a development area doesn't commit council to the apartment proposal.

"All you're really doing is saying, in effect, that there will be some change," he informed aldermen.

CABLE TV HEARINGS

Licence renewal hearings for cable television companies in Saanich and Salt Spring Island will be held Jan. 25 at the Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver.

Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission said Monday interventions must be submitted by Jan. 10.

Licences for Davin Enterprises Ltd., serving Saanich Peninsula, and Salt Spring Cablevision (1972) Ltd., expire Sept. 30.

Details of renewal applications may be obtained at company offices, 4526 Viewmont, and by writing to Box 409 Ganges, respectively, or at the CRTC Pacific region office, 1050 West Pender, Vancouver.

Apartment Land Okayed

Ten Mile Point's Prevost Hill will be declared a development area, Saanich council's lands, planning and housing committee decided Tuesday.

Owners of the 70-acre property, Broadmead Farms Ltd., are proposing a development of about 32 single-family homes and 124 multiple units, consisting of townhouses and apartments.

Municipal planner Gil Laursen described the project as "an extremely well-designed plan" but warned that less than half the area is within the sewer district and an extension is unlikely.

He also warned of the massive servicing costs the development would generate.

"We believe that the development area can be designated at this time but in the full understanding that it may be extremely difficult to negotiate any land-use contracts within it or approve any developments until the servicing difficulties are resolved," Laursen cautioned.

Broadmead director Gordon Rolston said municipal engineer Cliff Warreg favors having an independent engineer employed to make a study and recommendations on how problems of servicing in Ten Mile Point can be solved.

Rolston said his company would underwrite the costs of the survey, which would benefit the whole area and not just the Broadmead property.

He said he had met 20 members of the Cadboro Bay Ratepayers' Association's executive who were conversant with his plan. He admitted, however, he hasn't been in touch with them for four months.

"Michael Owen who organized a petition (against the project) has now withdrawn it," Rolston said.

Rolston had promised Ten Mile Point residents he would have balloons flown at the height of the proposed apartment buildings but had been unable to find balloons or helium to do the job.

"We're going to get a boom crane with plywood sections on it for height," he said.

Mayor Ed Lum, noting the

need to develop industry and other commercial sites to increase the tax base, warned the project is "very low on the priority list."

In other business, the committee received an informal report on a housing proposal by developer Dave Spilsbury for 18.65 acres on Cedar Hill Road.

When plans are completed a public hearing will be held to decide whether a land-use contract will be approved.

Spilsbury is proposing two clusters of strata title townhouses, one of 11 units and the other of seven; 41 single-family homes and two garden court apartments, one containing 28 suites and the other 12.

INSECTS INFEST MILLION ACRES

One million acres of productive forest land in B.C. were infested by insects in 1976, according to an insect and disease survey report issued Tuesday by the Pacific Forest

Research Centre on Burnside Road.

Most damaging were root rot, mistletoe, budworms, beetles and looper.

The report states the mountain pine beetle continues to be the single most serious insect problem.

The insect has infested more than 115,000 acres of pine stands, mainly in the interior.

The spruce budworm has infested more than 115,000 acres on Vancouver Island and the Kamloops Forest District.

The report also noted the western hemlock looper is re-infesting the province's hemlock forests in the interior.

Other insects causing the damage are root rot and dwarf mistletoe, the latter being a perennial problem.

But it observes that root rot continues to be the most serious for the island and the Lower Mainland.

Estimated volume loss to this disease exceeded 80 million cubic feet annually.


Historical Fund Aim

The University of British Columbia Press hopes to step up publication of historical books on B.C. with a fund to receive part of the revenue from sales of the book "The Dominion of the Sea" by John Sebastian Helmcken.

The book, published by the UBC Press last year, was the first in a series of historical documents by UBC Press.


The fund was set up in agreement among the university, the Provincial Archives and the Helmcken family.

The Helmcken book, which describes his days as a pioneer Victoria doctor, was edited by Dr. Dorothy Blakey Smith of Victoria and was the first in a series of book publications of historical documents by UBC Press.



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Fire Hits Market

SEATTLE (AP) — A three-alarm fire damaged half a dozen businesses in the historic Pike Place Market early this morning before being brought under control.

The blaze at the southeastern end of the main market building took more than two hours to bring under control, blanketing the downtown area in a pall of smoke.

Fire Chief Frank Hanson said the origin of the fire and the full extent of damage remained under investigation.

However, damage was evident in six or seven stores and shops, mainly those on First Avenue. Among them were an Italian specialty food shop, a dentist's office, a cafe, a clothing store and a sporting goods outlet.

Chicken Droppings Run Bus

SPOKANE (AP) — Donald Moser's 1961 school bus gets about 30 chickens to the mile as it chugs along, fueled by bird droppings.

It takes the daily droppings of 600 chickens to produce enough methane gas to propel the 58-passenger bus 20 miles, computes Moser, who travels the country in the vehicle dubbed "Uncle Ben." "I decided to help the country and society to make changes," said Moser, 43, during a recent stop.

"I decided the best way would be to put on a one-man demonstration."

Moser and companion Sue Hardy make money by selling solar-powered cookers and giving lectures. Moser believes gasoline won't be available much longer.

Methane-burning vehicles, such as Moser's modified bus, may be common in the future, he says.

It runs about 10 per cent weaker on methane than it would using gasoline, Moser says, but is non-polluting.

Moser, a bearded, stocky man whose hands show the stains and scuffs of a mechanic, quit his job as a race car mechanic in Boston four years ago to buy the bus and take up a nomad's life. He first heard about methane power at a festival in Wyoming in 1971.

He converted Uncle Ben the next year. It cost about \$820 for a special carburetor and gas converter, a high metal porch for gas cylinders and high pressure hoses.

Methane is hard to find, says Moser, who sometimes has to use gasoline. It's expensive when commercially produced, and the entire back porch of the bus must be lined with cylinders to complete a 700-mile journey.

He encourages farmers to build methane digesters — tanks in which wastes like chicken droppings are heated to speed the natural production of the gas. He said there are 15 locations around the country where tanks have been built or are planned.

He said the farms provide filling stations for his cross-country journeys.

Wastes from the on-board toilet and cooking are pumped to a small digester on the bus roof. It produces enough gas for interior lights and to cook a meal a day.

"People are going to have to cut down their standard of living and use a lot less energy," he says. "If you go out and cut wood all day by the cord you watch what you put in the stove."

Layoff for 3,000

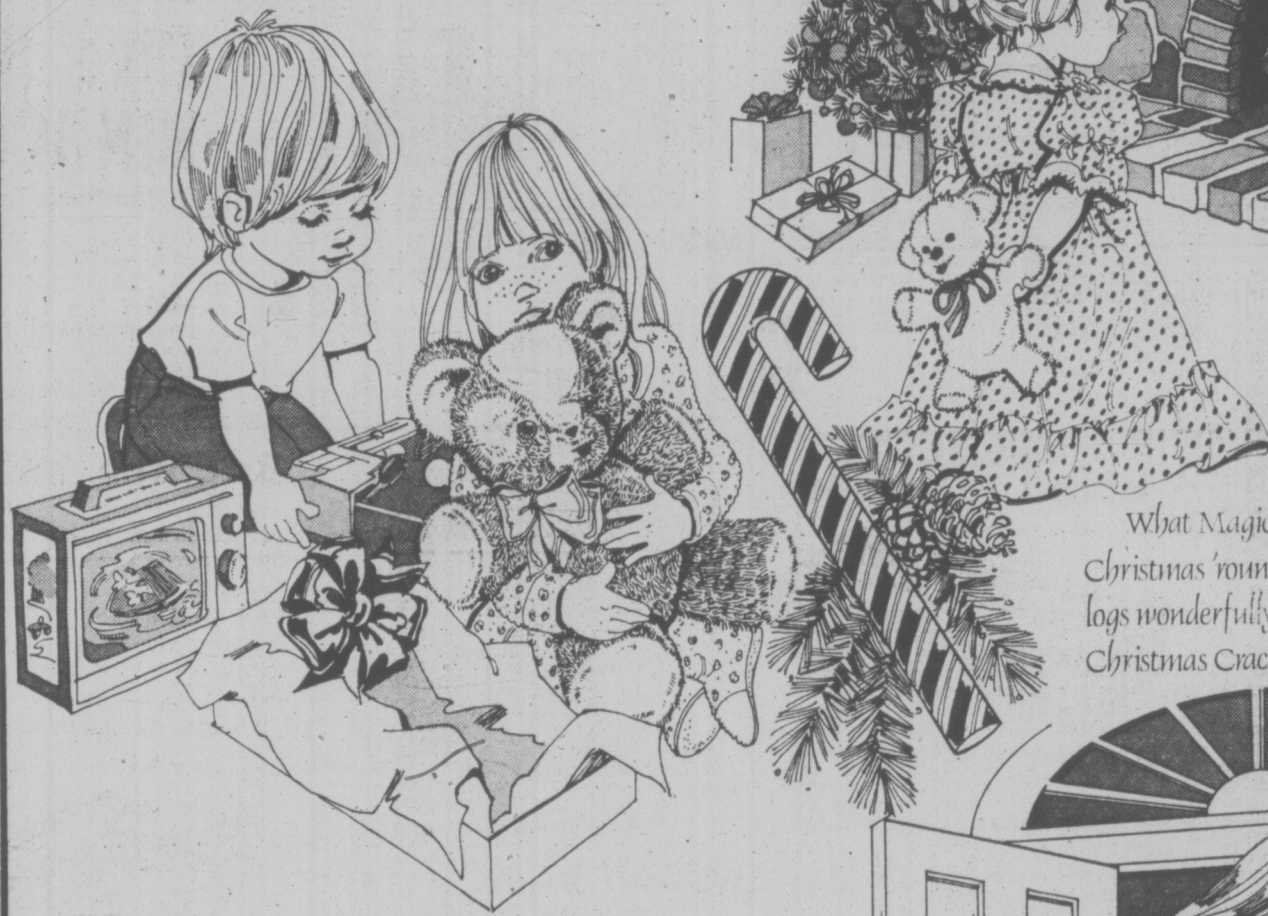
DETROIT (UPI) — Some 3,000 Ford Motor Co. workers will be laid off for one week after the Christmas-New Year's holiday even though Ford plans to put 18,000 workers on triple time to build mid-sized and full-sized cars over the holiday.

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"I keep tryin' real hard to close my eyes, Mommy, but I can't get to sleep."

The Bridge Expert

By FRED KARPIN

What happened to our South declarer in today's deal, I wouldn't wish on anyone, including my worst enemy. The hand, which has as its theme the official rules of the game, arose in the National Open Pairs Championship of 1939.

NORTH
♦ K J 9 6
♥ A
♦ 10 4 2
♠ A Q J 6 5

EAST
♦ 7 3
♥ K 10 9 8
♦ Q 5 3 2
♠ A K 9 8 7 3

SOUTH
♦ A Q 10 8
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ 6 5
♠ K 10 8

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ 2 ♦
3 ♦ Pass 4 ♦ Pass
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♠.

East had heard his partner bid diamonds, so he made the proper opening lead of the queen of diamonds — which was fine, except that it wasn't his turn to lead! It was West's. So, quite naturally, the director was called upon to make a ruling.

The rule (at that time) was that declarer could command the lead of any suit from

West, the proper opening leader; or, instead, he could allow West to lead any suit the latter wished, but the queen of diamonds would then become an exposed card, which meant that the queen would have to be played at East's first legal opportunity.

Declarer elected to call a club lead from West, feeling that the lead up to his K-10-8 would be most profitable to him (declarer, of course, could not look at the dummy-to-be prior to calling the lead).

West promptly announced that he had no clubs. Declarer now had no further rights, and West could lead any suit he desired. He wisely chose to lead a low diamond, having observed that his partner possessed the queen. East won this trick with his jack (when declarer had exercised his alternative option of commanding West to lead a club, the diamond queen ceased to be an exposed card, and had been put back into East's hand).

East, having heard that his partner had no clubs, next played back a club, which West ruffed. A second low diamond lead was then made to East's known queen, and East returned another club for West to ruff, for the setting trick.

And so East's original lead out of turn achieved the optimum result for the defenders. My deepest sympathy is hereby extended to our South declarer.

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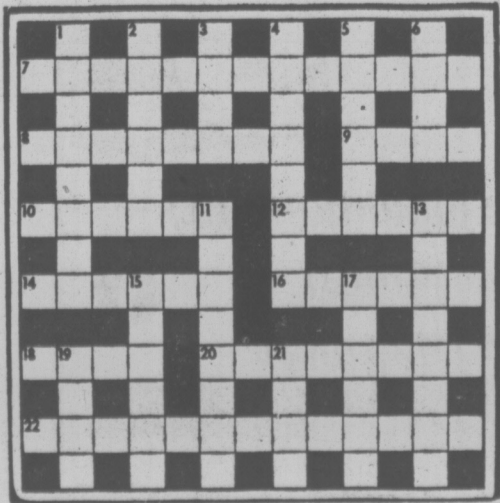
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8 Group of paying guests embarking (8,5)
8 Satisfies the inside (8)
9 Kind of thing a secretary may do (4)
10 Hothead leaves smoker's receptacle in a lost state (6)
12 More oriental festival? (6)
14 Four-leafed one, perhaps, got by many a swain? (6)
16 Came down to earth, owning an estate (6)
18 Animals featuring in any tapestry (4)
20 A cure for weakly affection? (8)
22 A loan for lodgings (15)

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1 Tremendous deficit in fuel (8)
2 The author sounds to be more than correct (6)
3 Fifty to one on this animal may do (4)
4 Its 8 are the makings of a bird (8)
5 1000 people against praying with this insect? (6)
6 Red light for the organizer? (4)
11 36-inch guns which carried sails? (8)
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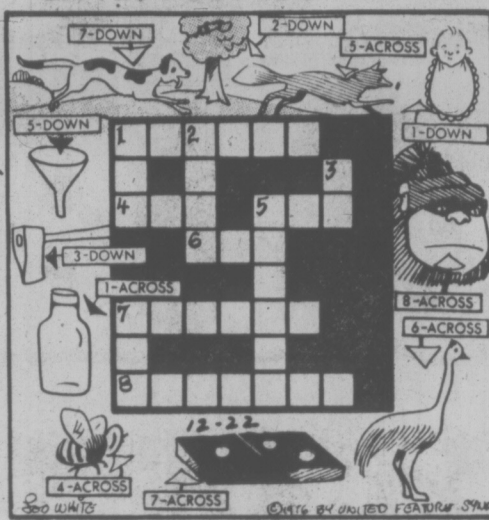
SOLUTION THURSDAY

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"DIDN'T MR. WILSON GET THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT YET... OR IS HE OVER IT ALREADY?"

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

Astrological Forecast for Thursday, Dec. 23

By SYDNEY OMARR

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Emphasis on surprise, the unorthodox, wishes, desires. Partner, mate is involved and money plays significant role. Be ready for change, variety, travel, special communications. Air of excitement prevails. Member of opposite sex sends morale soaring.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): What had been an obstacle is removed. Legal matter is settled. Standing in community improves and prestige is on upswing. Conditions at home harmonize as holiday spirit becomes evident. Libra figures prominently.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Spiritual values surface. Your sense of being, direction figures prominently. Accent on journeys, language, ability to communicate. Pisces, Virgo persons play significant roles. Long-distance call alleviates anxiety.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Key now is organization. What appears chaos is temporary. Know it and take heart! One who cares for you is not indifferent, merely confused. It is right for you to make commitment. Act accordingly. Capricorn is in picture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Emphasis on relating to one whose views oppose your own. Home, marital status grab spotlight. You can make accommodation which settles dispute. Legal matter is not as serious as it might appear on surface. You will receive benefit of doubt.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Highlight originality, independence. Get to heart of matters. Be direct—feel worthy of affection. Leo, Aquarius figure prominently. A "special service" will be performed and gets you "off the hook." Relative in transit aids in solving dilemma.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are released from tensions. You now are better able to enter into holiday spirit. Intuitive friend offers sage counsel. You're able now to imprint style, to make necessary changes, to give and receive pleasure, to communicate with young person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Older individuals make major concessions. Be a gracious "winner." Social activity accelerates. Be versatile without scattering forces. Gemini, Sagittarius persons figure prominently. Remember recent diet resolutions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Obtain valid hint from Scorpio message. Short trip, relatives and visits

are highlighted. Aquarius, Leo and Taurus are part of your personal scenario. Details are unraveled, obstacle is removed. Your views are vindicated.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Count your change! Money, busy transactions, holiday crowds, shopping call become part of a montage. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons figure in picture. Emphasis on possessions, lost-and-found objects, the gaining of a better understanding of monetary affairs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Adjust to needs of family in sense that you make creative, intelligent concessions and changes. Young person adores you and will show it. Taurus, Gemini and Libra are part of scenario. Cycle high—you make and prove a point. Love will be a part of your big picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Quiet talk with one who is shy because of recent miscalculation will do you good and prove of immeasurable aid to individual in question. Live up to message of holiday spirit. Key is ability to maintain a confidential relationship. You'll understand!

IF DECEMBER 23RD IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are analytical, inquisitive, lively, attractive to opposite sex, fond of writing, of change, travel and variety. Gemini, Virgo persons play important roles in your life. You'll be happier, more fulfilled, less burdened in 1977—March and December will be outstanding months. If single, marriage is on horizon. If married, there could be an addition to family.

FUN WITH FIGURES

By J. A. H. HUNTER

"Going to Clint, eh?" said Les. "I went there last week but drove back by the direct route. You know the area?"

"Sure. Tiwanda is 35 miles due north from here, and Clint 12 miles east of Tiwanda. Terrible roads although they're straight," Harry replied. "That's the only route I know. What's your direct route?"

Les smiled. "Don't try it, it's worse. Dead straight through forest, but I could only average 12 miles per hour so it took me 3 minutes longer coming back."

What speed did he average going to Clint? Thanks for an idea to L. L. Petty, Yellowknife, N.W.T.

(Answer tomorrow)

Yesterday's answer: TEST was 1071.

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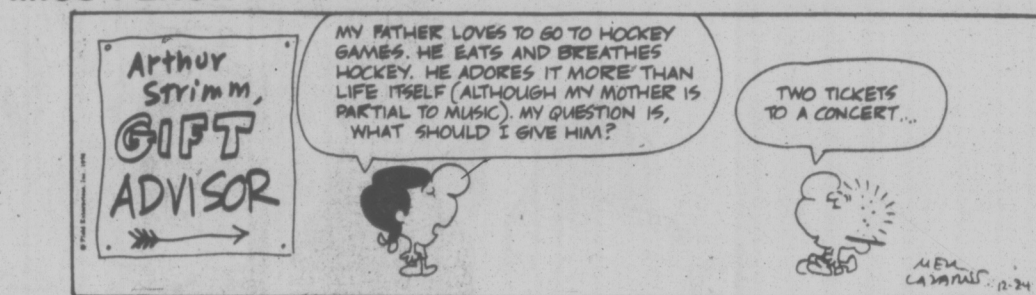
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Family Stage Shows Highlight Season

By AUDREY JOHNSON
Times Staff

On many past Christmas in this city complaints have been general that there were no stage entertainments to which young people could be taken as a holiday treat. Not so this year. In fact there are two at least which, while not wholly children's shows are of the type to be enjoyed by the entire family.

For teen-agers, Bastion's Absurd Person Singular, opening Thursday at the McPherson, could prove to be the fun highlight of the holiday.

But Christmas more than any other occasion should be a time for fantasy, a time for sentiment and poetry and a time for pleasures shared between old and young. For this particular reason, Kaleidoscope's The Snow Goose which occupies most of the 12 days of Christmas at The Belfry, and Vancouver Island Opera Society's Amahl and the Night Visitors paralleling it at the Church of Our Lord, are well timed.

For very young children Amahl is the best choice with its colorful "Three Kings" and simple, understandable story of the little crippled boy and the miracle that happens as a result of the kings' visit to his home.

The Snow Goose, which is the Kaleidoscope company's own adaptation of Paul Gallico's famous and poignant classic, is to my mind, a most poetic concept on the part of artistic director Elizabeth Gorrrie, movingly performed with grace and economy of style by the talented five-member group.

Grown-ups and some young people will love it but I think the scope of the material is beyond the understanding of the very young — the preschoolers and early elementary levels.

Gallico's story concerns the

legendary snow goose, wounded by hunters and healed by a solitary crippled artist and a strange and timid girl. Set in English coastal marshes, the climax of the story belongs to the rescue by hundreds of small craft, of British soldiers trapped on the beach at Dunkirk in the Second World War.

Kaleidoscope's black leotard-clad actors communicate eloquently with body language, fine articulation, resonant vocal tone and a virtuoso repertoire of sounds, whether originating from themselves or the intriguing variety of musical instruments they use so effectively.

A highlight of their performance brings vividly before one's ears and eyes the cries, murmurings and actions of various marsh and shore birds.

The snow goose itself is an important protagonist and a difficult one to reproduce but this problem has been imaginatively solved by using three pieces of white cloth stretched sculpturally over abstract wing-like frames and given shimmering, soaring life by three actors.

Artistically speaking this presentation is something of a triumph and should be seen by everyone to whom quality and innovation in the theatre is important. It is very short, beginning at 2 p.m. until Dec. 31, except Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Amahl, which has been done on several former occasions at Christ Church Cathedral, is an unfailing charmer as to story and Gian-Carlo Menotti's haunting music.

The hour-long opera is being performed this Christmas in the small historic church on Humboldt Street, with Dawn Hood and Glen Fast as dramatic and musical directors.

Karan Smith as the mother in this production has a lovely voice and a convincing pre-

sence; Martin Thorn's Amahl was somewhat out of tune now and then but quite charming. The kings, (Rory Hammond) Kaspar, Melchior (Bruce Jennings) and Balthasar (Stephen Horning), were all competent vocally; Kaspar's treasure song, This Is My Box, and Melchior's The Child We Seek, being particularly effective.

A prosaic set and lighting does not help to create atmosphere but this is nevertheless a show that no one looking for the true Christmas spirit should miss.

It's on nightly except Christmas Day at 7:30 with matinees Friday and Sunday at 4:30.

THOSE WORDS BANNED

QUEBEC (CP) — Premier Rene Levesque said Tuesday the words "separatism" and "separation" have been permanently dropped from the vocabulary of his Parti Quebecois government.

Henceforth, the PQ would refer only to Quebec "independence" or "sovereignty" when talking about the party's ultimate political objective for the province.

The premier told the national assembly the banned words imply a breaking away — a negative act — while the government considers independence to be a positive step for Quebecers.

"If there are those who prefer always to speak negatively, that is their right, but we also have the right to express ourselves as we wish."

Cataract Surgery Speeded Up

VANCOUVER (CP) — A new machine to eradicate cataracts, being used at Vancouver General Hospital, gets the patient back into circulation in a fraction of the time of the traditional operative technique.

Dr. Stephen Drance, head of the ophthalmology department at the hospital, says the Phaco cataract emulsifier offers what may be a more efficient way to get rid of cataracts.

Cataracts are most commonly found in older people as the lens of the eye becomes cloudy and ultimately opaque, producing a gradual loss of sight. There are rare instances of a child being born with cataracts and other cases where a young person will develop them, usually as the result of an injury.

The new machine has been at the hospital for almost a year, Dr. Drance said, and

three doctors have become proficient in its use.

At present only about five per cent of cataract operations are done on the machine, but it will be used more when the longerange results are assessed.

"The present surgical method is very efficient and the results are excellent," says Dr. Drance. A surgeon must get into the eye to remove the clouded lens, making a 180-degree cut that takes time to heal.

Using the emulsifier, however, only a tiny cut of about 15 degrees is needed, through which the probe will go. The probe is a hollow needle which moves 3-1000ths of an inch 40,000 times a second to break up the cataract, "just like a sledgehammer."

The broken-up cataract is then irrigated from the eye. Only patients with healthy corneas are eligible for the

emulsifier removal of cataract.

A general anesthetic is used in the majority of cases.

Once the opaque lens has been removed, a substitute must be given to restore vision. The usual substitute is heavy-lensed glasses, which cause trouble for young children and many old people.

With this type of glasses, the peripheral vision is distorted, although forward vision is restored.

Some prefer contact lenses, but many older people who may have shaky hands, arthritis or eye sensitivities, find these even more difficult.

During the last 3½ years, soft contact lenses have been developed that can be left in the eye for four to six months without being changed.

Dr. Drance said medical personnel do the changing, so people who could not or would not handle an ordi-

nary contact lens can become contact-lens wearers.

Still another alternative is open for consideration, Dr. Drance said, although it still is experimental. It is the use of a plastic lens, eliminating the need for either contact lenses or glasses (except for reading) after the cataract removal.

Known as the intra-ocular plastic lens, it was developed in England following the Second World War when it was noted that plexiglass splinters in the eyes of injured RAF pilots produced a minimum of adverse tissue reaction.

These early intra-ocular lenses were not too successful though, Dr. Drance said, producing adverse reactions three to five years after implantation. Their use was dropped until recently.

Improvements have been made in the material and several doctors in Vancouver have made such implants

Holiday Festival At Bastion Theatre

If you're having difficulty getting into the mood of the season, try Christmas with Bastion. Victoria's professional theatre company is surrounding its holiday production of the comedy, Absurd Person Singular, with a variety of festive trimmings.

Directed by John Heath, Absurd Person will be performed at the McPherson, starting Thursday, nightly until Jan. 8 with the exception of Christmas Eve, Dec. 27 and Jan. 3. It will be a great digestive aid to follow turkey and the rest on Christmas Day and after all the laughter has settled dinner, there will be a party in the upper foyer featuring eggnog and other traditional fare.

Senior citizens, some of whom might be alone Christmas night, will be able to enjoy the fun because Bastion is giving tickets out through the Silver Threads.

This week Bastion carollers Dan Costain, Susan Goldwater, Fred Andrews, Kate Palmer, Susan North, Glynis Leyshon, Christine Leacock, Brenda Martens and John Linfield, wearing traditional Dickensian costumes, have been creating an old-fashioned Christmas mood for shoppers in Market Square. At Thursday's opening night of Absurd Person, they will sing a selection of carols in the McPherson foyer.



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U.S. Falls Behind In the Air

LONDON (UPI) — U.S. air might is falling so far behind the Soviet Union that it may have to resort immediately to nuclear weapons in the event of war, the latest edition of Jane's All the World's Aircraft said Wednesday. The annual urged the "immediate" building of B1 bombers.

J. W. R. Taylor, editor of the authoritative annual, said the imbalance between the U.S. and Soviet air forces is compounded by the fact Washington is seriously underestimating at least two Soviet planes — one of which could strike at targets in the United States from Russian bases and fly on to Cuba.

The planes are the Soviet intercontinental bomber, known as Backfire, which the Russians have demanded at the SALT talks should be accepted as a tactical rather than a strategic plane. Taylor warned that if the United States agrees to the Russian designation for the sake of an accord, the hope of a lasting peace would be diminished.

The other is the MIG25 Foxbat, flown to Japan last September by a Soviet defector and subsequently treated lightly by some aviation writers as out of date. However, Taylor said it was obviously an extraordinarily advanced plane for the mid-1960s when it was built and had since been surpassed by generations of new MIGs.

TRIDENT OPPONENTS BEGIN DEFENCE FUND

SEATTLE (AP) — A group opposed to the U.S. Navy's Trident submarine base on Hood Canal has begun a \$25,000 defence fund to finance a court challenge over the base.

The anti-Trident group "Concerned About Trident" said it has received \$15,595 in contributions, plus \$49,390 from the Northwest Fund for the Environment. Its outlays so far have been \$43,100 on

"Any dismay felt by members of the Soviet defence ministry at having the MIG25's secrets revealed, must have been mitigated by the conclusions and reactions published in the United States," Taylor said.

Taylor warned that "the most alarming possibility" for the west would be if politicians used such reports of shortcomings in Soviet aircraft "as an excuse for penny-pinching defence economies."

Taylor said American preoccupation with nuclear missiles had enabled the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact allies to build up a vast lead in other key weapons. He said it had always been assumed that to avoid the mutual annihilation in a nuclear missile exchange, both sides would attempt initially to restrict combat to conventional or tactical nuclear weapons.

"But," he asked, "could the United States do this effectively?"

Russia, he said, already has more than 100 of the Backfire swing-wing bombers in service. Against these, the United States has a fleet of 20-year-old B52s.

"The three immediate requirements for the United States," said Taylor, "are to recognize that Backfire is a strategic weapon, to build the B1 bomber as its wholly essential and uniquely flexible

legal expenses and \$15,729 for office, advertising, salaries and printing expenses.

In a newsletter to supporters, the organization said most of the expenses are for legal fees. The group engaged a New York lawyer to challenge the navy over its environmental impact statement concerning the base.

So far, the navy has been ordered to improve its environmental impact statement on the project.

Carter Win Voted Top U.S. News Story

Associated Press
Jimmy Carter's defeat of President Jerry Ford has been voted the top news story of 1976 in the United States. In their annual poll, editors and news directors of As-

sociated Press member newspapers and radio and TV stations ranked the deaths of Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai, China's top leaders, as the second most important story of the year, The Bicentennial

celebration was third. There were 402 votes for the Carter election victory as the top story, out of 416 ballots cast. The China story received 316 votes and the Bicentennial 239.

The other stories in the top 10 of 1976 were:
4. The U.S. economy.
5. The Legionnaires disease in Pennsylvania.
6. The Viking landing on Mars.

7. The Washington sex scandals.
8. The Patty Hearst Trial.
9. The Israeli raid on Entebbe airport in Uganda.
10. The California school bus kidnapping.

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DISAGREEMENT ON EXECUTIVES BLAMED

Upheaval Hits Civic Unions

By PAUL MOSS
Times Staff

Within a period of less than 14 hours Tuesday, the union locals representing both outside and inside workers at City Hall had lost their respective presidents — the former through a non-confidence motion, the latter a voluntary resignation.

In both cases a difference of opinion on the executive and lack of membership support were cited as the main reasons for the changes.

Perhaps, the biggest surprise was the re-emergence Tuesday night of Jim Walker, as newly-elected president of Local 50 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, representing more than 300 outside workers.

Walker quit the position only three months ago, firing

salvos of criticism at the union membership. He said then he had had enough of working for members who were mostly lazy, selfish and ungrateful.

Walker replaces Bill Doherty, who had earlier replaced him.

Local 50 vice-president Steve Powell said today the Tuesday night meeting passed a non-confidence motion in Doherty. Behind the decision lay a "difference of opinion arising from some of the events at the recent B.C. Federation of Labor convention," he said.

Powell said the disagreement basically involved himself, Doherty and the third delegate to the convention, Walker. All he would say was that it concerned a "question of protocol."

(Another union source told

WALKER
back in saddle

the Times that split developed, when Doherty walked out of a CUPE caucus at the conference).

Earlier Tuesday, Dennis Burke, president of CUPE Local 288 which represents 200 inside workers, tendered his resignation. The move came only hours after a membership meeting Monday night had rejected an executive recommendation urging participation with several other CUPE locals in joint area bargaining.

And today Jim Nelms, another member of the executive, also told the Times he would be submitting his resignation.

Both Burke and Nelms said they felt they had lost the support of the membership, and Burke referred to a "rift" on the executive involving himself and vice-president Rick Doyle.

Burke said the rejection of the joint bargaining proposal was not his only reason for resigning, but admitted that was "more or less the one that broke the camel's back."

He also attacked the apathy of a membership which generally "doesn't give a damn," noting that only 34 members attended the Monday night meeting.

Burke said it's too simplistic to conclude that two factions have emerged, one favoring a low-key individual approach to bargaining and the other organized militance.

He has always favored a slow and careful style, he said, but he is also convinced 'CUPE approach to joint bargaining.

Doyle said the central issue is the membership's reluctance to "turn over negotiations to a small handful of ex-

ecutive types," and a basic divergence of philosophy between the Victoria inside local and some others.

"They (the members) seem to feel this would lead to secrecy and they would not be kept informed of the progress of negotiations, or able to vote on offers," he said.

"During the last negotiations they were kept in the dark by the same group of people, and that situation resulted in a lockout. We feel we can do a better job on our own."

However, the Tuesday night Local 50 meeting endorsed the area-wide bargaining proposal, a spokesman said.

He said it was considered the only practical course to take, since the municipal employers combined recently in a joint approach to bargaining under the Greater Victoria Labor Relations Association.

ESCAPERS
CAPTURED

Two men who escaped Dec. 7 from Wilkinson Road jail were recaptured early today following an 80-mile-per-hour police chase through Saanich and Victoria.

Dennis Matthew Wilson, 22, and Thomas Russell Totten, 26, were to appear in provincial court in Victoria later today charged with escape.

A Saanich police spokesman said other charges stemming from the 22-mile chase, may also be laid.

The spokesman said a Saanich patrol officer spotted two men in a car being driven in "an erratic fashion" as it left the Red Lion Motor Inn parking lot 3366 Douglas shortly after 2 p.m.

The spokesman said the officer thought he recognized the two occupants and attempted to pull the car over but the vehicle was driven off at speeds reaching 80 miles an hour down Douglas towards Victoria.

The officer radioed for help and a Victoria patrol car forced the speeding car back into Saanich where it was abandoned near Qu'Appelle and Hampton elementary school.

Police said one of the men was arrested immediately, the other fled on foot and was captured on the school grounds about half an hour later after officers from Saanich, Victoria and Esquimalt police departments searched the area.

Both men submitted without a struggle.

Police said the car in which the men were riding had been reported stolen.

Police
Arrest
Six Men

Break-ins, car thefts and a purse-snatching kept Greater Victoria police busy overnight.

Six men are in custody and expected to appear to provincial court later today, three charged with theft of a purse from a woman in the University Heights shopping centre and three with breaking into the Cordon Bleu Restaurant, 820 Esquimalt, early this morning.

Saanich police said a middle-aged woman reported her purse had been stolen by three men at 8:45 p.m. and within half hour three suspects were arrested, one in the Royal Oak Shopping centre, and two at the K-Mart store on Shelbourne.

The purse, which contained about \$300, was recovered.

A resident who heard the sound of breaking glass at 3:40 a.m. tipped off Esquimalt police to a break-in at the Cordon Bleu.

Three police cars, two from Esquimalt and one from Victoria, arrived in time to see three men loading a car with liquor. One of the men was inside the restaurant and two in the car.

Twenty-two bottles of liquor were recovered.

Police said the restaurant had been entered after a side window was broken.

The resident who tipped police didn't give his name.

"We'd like to know who it was ... to thank him," an Esquimalt police spokesman said.

In Saanich, three cars were stolen overnight from Brian Holly Motors on Douglas. One of the vehicles was later found in Vic West where it had rammed a parked car.

In Colwood and Sooke, police have reported a rash of break-ins over the past few days but in Oak Bay there have been no such problems.

"The only problem we've been having lately is damage being done to Christmas decorations," an Oak Bay police spokesman said.



THE ROTUNDA of the Legislative Buildings does not often echo with harmonious and sweet sounds but the Christmas spirit finds its way into the his-

toric chamber when the Newcombe Glee Club, directed by Lorna Griffiths, gathers to sing carols at 12:15 p.m. each day until Christmas.

—Bill Halkett photo

Feds' Spread Felt in City

A more than four-fold increase in office space rented by the federal government in B.C. since 1971 indicates substantial Victoria accommodation.

The claim was made in a Vancouver Province story.

In the 1975-76 fiscal year federal departments leased 2.93 million square feet of area compared with only 455,381 square feet in 1970-71.

In Victoria the major leased properties cover 94,549 square feet in four downtown buildings.

Lease costs went from \$1.5 million to \$10.6 million in that time.

The auditor-general last month stated in his annual report on federal spending that federal departments make inefficient use of office space.

Most of the space rented in B.C. is in Vancouver — a total

1.18 million square feet at present compared with 242,687 square feet in 1970-71.

The public works department said a certain amount of new space has been dictated by federal decentralization policy.

Victoria properties cited in the newspaper report are Ox-

ford Development Group Ltd., 1175 Douglas, where Unemployment Insurance Commission and Regional Economic Expansion occupy 33,300 square feet; Bentall Properties Ltd., 1405 Douglas, offices of health and welfare and Canadian Coast Guard, 13,329 Square feet; Geneva Invest-

ments Ltd., 1061 Fort, housing the RCMP E Division, 27,522 square feet at a cost of \$201,387 a year; and De Montigny Enterprises Ltd., 810 Fort, Canada Pension, Manpower and Immigration, 20,388 square feet, \$124,066.

A total of 195 B.C. properties are rented to the federal government, the largest being Daon Development Corp., for an annual fee of almost \$1.5 million.

Some of the principals involved in ownership of the buildings include Prime Minister Trudeau's father-in-law James Sinclair; Graham R. Dawson, George B. McKee, Cadillac, Fairview Corp. Ltd., T. Eaton Co., Toronto Dominion Bank, Allen T. Lambert, Charles E. Bronfman, Sun Life Assurance Co., H. Clark Bentall and Robert G. Bentall, the Guinness interests, Great National Land and Investment Corp., Frank Ney.

Inquest Adjourned

Testimony concerning the deaths of two elderly persons in a McKenzie Ave. crosswalk Dec. 7 will resume at a coroner's inquest Jan. 19.

An inquiry Tuesday was adjourned to permit motorist Roy Alexander Carr, 35, of Sooke, to return from a visit to relatives in California. A court officer told coroner Edmond Jorre de St. Joere Carr would return to Victoria after Dec. 30.

Georgina Smith, 95, and her brother Robert Velge, 93, died after being struck by Carr's car at McKenzie and Saanich.

A mechanic testified the car was in "exceptionally good repair," had good brakes and new tires but was three months overdue for annual inspection.

Help Promised
Rat-Infested
Quadra District

The sewers are coming to a troubled Saanich neighborhood near north Quadra — and that means the rats will stop snitching apples from Mrs. James' basement.

Saanich Ald. Sandy Noel, chairman of council's public works committee, said today his aim is to get sewers into the Beckwith-Panorama-Palissade-Belvedere area by next summer.

The public works committee will ask council in the new year to advance sewerage plans for that neighborhood into the 1977 program, he said.

That will be good news for the 35 to 40 householders on those streets who have been plagued for years by faulty septic tanks discharging smelly effluent into open ditches and attracting rats.

The issue was brought to public notice again Tuesday when a health inspector, who remained anonymous, said there's a typhoid threat from overflowing sewage in the area.

Noel said today the neighbors have a legitimate complaint and Saanich has been warned about the health hazard by Dr. Allan Arneil, regional health officer.

John Ford of 4205 Panorama said the malfunctioning septic tanks are scattered throughout the neighborhood, where most of the houses are about 15 years old.

Residents have been pestering municipal and provincial governments for action for five or six years, he said, but until now no one would commit himself.

The rats are mainly a problem in summer but "we've seen them running across the road and they've been into people's houses."

One of the houses they've

been into belongs to Mr. and Mrs. Stan James at 4211 Panorama.

"I've had them come into the basement, steal apples and take them down the drain," Mrs. James said today.

Problems with their own septic tank system have been so severe they've had a second tile field laid and now leave the tank cover without soil over it so it can be more readily pumped out.

She said her husband collected about 95 per cent of neighbors' signatures on a petition but until now hadn't even got an acknowledgment from municipal or provincial government.

Ask
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Q. Where can I write to find information on supertankers and the currents of Juan de Fuca Strait? P.F.

A. The central branch of the Greater Victoria Public Library at 794 Yates has some articles on oil pollution in Puget Sound as well as hydrographic charts of the strait. It appears that you are going to have to do some research and get your material from a number of periodicals.

DRINKING DRIVERS
PLAYING IT SAFE

Victoria's drinking drivers have finally got the message.

Victoria police have conducted three major roadblocks this season; stopping 2,601 vehicles, and only two drivers were charged with impaired driving.

But the roadblocks are having another effect. The Motor Vehicle Inspection Station in Saanich has never been busier.

Manager Vic Citra says during the past week the number of vehicles being tested has averaged 830 with one day a near record 940. The year-round average is about 600.

Citra says the average wait to take a vehicle through the test is one-and-a-half hours. About a quarter of the vehicles are rejected, no different from the year-round figure.

The inspection station is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. five days a week but on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve it will close at 6 p.m.

You Just Ask for Benny or Jim

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So you think you've done all your Christmas shopping?

You're a little smug because you were an early bird and long ago you bought gifts for Archie, Gertrude, little Willie and even Aunt Dottie. And they are all wrapped and under the tree already.

But perhaps you haven't finished. Perhaps you don't need to sit at home gloating. Perhaps you could get out on those last couple of mad shopping days and pick up one or two of the smaller gifts that advertisers love to call stocking stuffers and give them to people who otherwise may open no parcels on Christmas morning.

That's right — I'm about to make another of my appeals! With publicity and help from citizens and groups all over Greater Victoria, the Upper Room on lower Johnston Street has boomed since the Times first described the great work Benny Foster would do with his soup kitchen

for down-and-outs just over a month ago.

Now Benny and Upper Room director Jim Palosaari are working hard to put on a dinner, with turkey and ham and all the trimmings, for anyone who is lonely and has no one to share Christmas Day. And they hope — though there will be anywhere from 75 to 100 people sitting down to their only such feast in a year — to be able to give each of them a small gift from under the tree.

And that's where you come in.

If you want to be part of the giving (and isn't that what it's all about?) you can buy a gift, wrap it and drop it into the Upper Room at 579 Johnston or phone Benny or Jim at 388-7112 and they'll have someone pick it up. Jim suggests practical things such as stretch gloves and socks and warm scarves anyone can wear. But he says that if you don't fancy venturing out into the hectic shopping crowds again, a gift of money would be appreciated just as much.

That way, he and Benny will be able to go out and buy the gifts in bulk.

The Upper Room isn't the only such place putting on a dinner Christmas Day for less fortunate people.

After an 11 a.m. service, the Salvation Army will serve a full dinner, again with all the trimmings, at noon in the Harbour Light at 516 Yates Street. And at the same time, there will be a dinner served at the Army's Men's Social Service Centre at 525 Johnston Street. But there won't be gifts given out at these two as the annual Christmas Party, when presents were distributed, was held last Saturday at the Harbour Light.

Things will start at the Upper Room at about 12:30 p.m. with a little music until dinner is served at 1 p.m. The gifts, says Jim, will probably be given out after dinner.

I popped up to the Room the other day, as I often do now, and found them frantically

getting ready for the big event.

Benny and Jim were taking turns answering the phone calls with offers to help and, in the midst of it all, Carl Hopf and Charlie Carveth happily trimmed a tree.

"We've already been promised about half the turkeys and hams we figure we'll need to feed everyone on Christmas Day," said Jim. "And we're confident of getting the rest in time. But you know, these people aren't used to getting this kind of food and when they sit down they really eat. If we get 75 for dinner, it will be like feeding 75 farmers!"

Always with an eye on his superb soup, Benny pointed out that they have a freezer now and therefore no food given will be wasted. Anything left over will all go into the pot.

At the Upper Room they're delighted with the way Victorians have responded, not only in giving material things but in giving themselves.

On Christmas Day, for ex-

ample, there will be a couple of people from the Human Resources Board and others from a church action group up there acting as waiters and helpers.

"And there's a man and his wife from Esquimalt who have been spending Christmas within their own little family group for the last 30 years," said Ben. "They want to do something different this year. They read about us and asked if they could come and spend Christmas Day here, helping and mingling with the people. So it's working other people are needing each other."

"And we want people to remember that the dinner is not just for those who are down and out and living on the street," said Jim.

"We would like all those who are lonely or haven't much money to come here on Christmas Day instead of getting drunk — they are welcome."



Charlie Carveth reaches for top

Add Hints to Gift Recipe

People are re-discovering the pleasures of home cooking, from bread to yogurt making, so why not think of giving a favorite recipe to a friend who has praised one of your food productions?

There is still time to write out a copy from a recipe you often make, but be sure to put in the items you have



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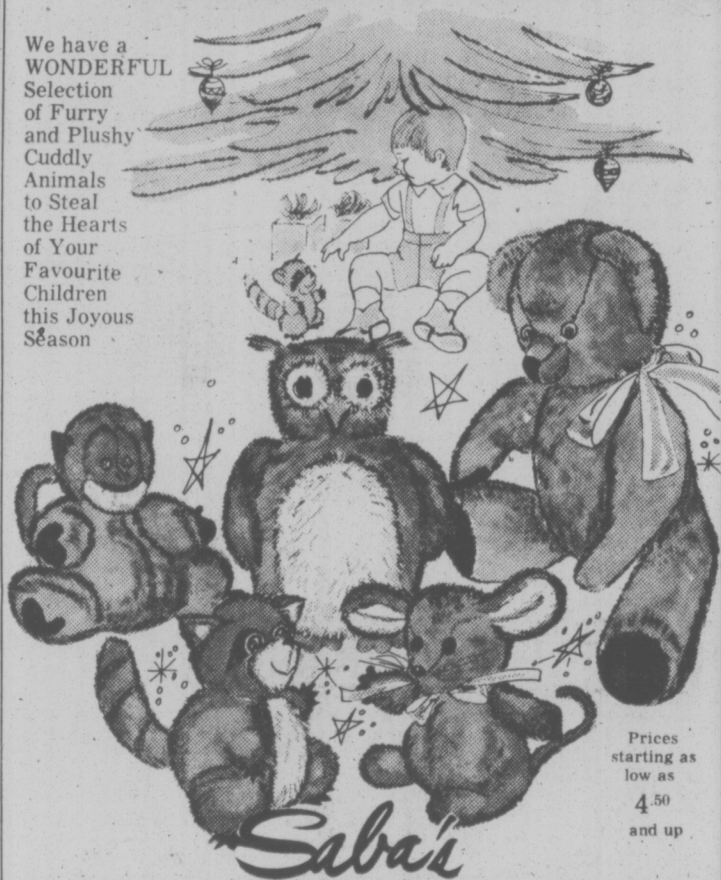
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instructions because nobody but you knows of all the steps you take to produce that wonderful bread of which you are justifiably proud. Places where you put the dough to rise will be of interest since you are likely to know of comparable spots in your friends' kitchen. Tell them how the dough handles when put into the baking pans, and how long it takes to bake in your oven, and at what temperature.

You may have garden produce you would like to share with a neighbor. Write out your hints of the care it requires before use; its preparation for cooking; and a recipe or two that will indicate its value in family meals.

For certain friends I can imagine an attractive basket of carefully chosen "exotic" (as opposed to local) vegetables and fruits being both a challenge and a thrill to receive. Just be sure your friends are inclined to experiment or are already familiar with some of the items.

Seen locally displayed in fruit and vegetable departments are the dark purple eggplant, bright green sweet pepper, sweet potato, dark green avocado, and dark brown kiwi fruit. For good measure add a big bulb of garlic which may already be a favorite ingredient. Used with a light hand directed by a knowledgeable mind, fresh garlic has the talent to blend other flavors into a subtle whole. Without your being aware of it, the meals you enjoy most at restaurants are those where the chef knows how to use garlic.

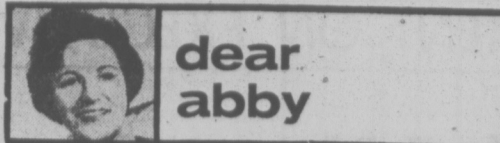
Don't forget a recipe or two with at least one item in your personally selected collection of goodies. These notes are just a reminder that good things must be spread around. I have known people who never spoke about the delicious things they served, and seemed reluctant to discuss them from any angle. By encouraging friends to make use of some food item you enjoy and have already shared with them you will be increasing their pleasure in the preparation and enjoyment of food.

At this point do I laugh or cry? Both of these women are very intelligent.

Abby, will you all of us who have cancer IN us and have had cancer taken OUT of us a big favor and set the record straight? And may we use my real name.

DEAR DOROTHY: After writing this column for over 20 years I can believe anything, but the insensitivity and cruelty of your "friends" is equaled only by their ignorance.

Abby, I'm sure that if you



dear abby

Friends Fear Cancer Victim

DEAR ABBY: Three years ago I had cancer surgery, which necessitated an illosomy. It was rough, but I'm glad to be alive.

Two months ago lung cancer hit me. More surgery. I love life and want to live, but I'm still fighting because I'm now back at work at my art gallery and have adopted an "I'll cry tomorrow" attitude.

The reason for this letter might strike you as unbelievable, but it's true:

An old friend of mine has refused to see me because I have a "contagious disease" — cancer! Can you believe it? (She's no dummy. She writes for The Miami Herald.)

Then another incident occurred that nearly floored me. I walked into The Palm Bay Club, and another friend who had always hugged and kissed me when we met, said, "Please don't come near me... you're contagious!"

At this point do I laugh or cry? Both of these women are very intelligent.

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DOROTHY BLAU

DEAR DOROTHY: After writing this column for over 20 years I can believe anything, but the insensitivity and cruelty of your "friends" is equaled only by their ignorance.

Although there is still much that we do not know about cancer, one fact is certain, according to the American Cancer Society, it is NOT contagious.

DEAR ABBY: Someone wrote to you using the word "gypped" and in your response you used the same word.

Abby, I'm sure that if you

DEAR ABBY: I work in an office where there are five men for every woman. Whenever a man here retires, resigns or is transferred, the men have a luncheon or dinner for him. And they say, "No women allowed."

When you've worked with a person for 20 years, you develop a warm and personal relationship. His departure affects all of us. So when the women are barred from the going-away event, we see red. What can we do about it? — LEFT OUT

DEAR LEFT: You can have your own farewell luncheon to honor the departing, with no MEN allowed!

DEAR ABBY: Sometimes the Lord answers our prayers in strange and unexpected ways.

For years when I'd see my mother bathing, I would pray that I would never have sagging breasts like hers.

I recently had a double mastectomy and am free of cancer, thank God, and I also know that I will never have sagging breasts!

Isn't it strangely ironic how the good Lord answered my prayers? — PLAT CHESTED AND GRATEFUL

DEAR PLAT: Yes. Now thank God for your good health!

TINY BENNETT A Good Bet In Leek Soup

Usually I plan meals first thing in the morning, so I know what I'll need and the time necessary to prepare them. But recently when I had one of those mornings when everything was out of kilter, I broke my usual habit of food shopping in the afternoon and popped down to the village to pick up the mail and collect a few items from the store.

At the produce counter, I spotted a rack of the most beautiful leeks at 45 cents a bundle of three.

That happy chance has given me a brand new recipe for a maincourse dish that's simple to prepare, is economical, nutritious, filling and yet a good bet for all us calorie watchers.

This happened on a Monday after I had cooked a smoked picnic ham to eat hot on Saturday; sliced and hot with new potatoes and salad on the Sunday; and with a few slices taken off Monday morning to eat with a beefsteak tomato and a leaf of lettuce for Monday lunch. This still left quite a bit of ham on the bone and I formed my leek soup main course around it.

Since I believe I originated this dish, it doesn't have a name, so I'll just call it:

MAIN COURSE LEEK SOUP

Take three big leeks, cut off the dark green ends, trim off the root end and then split the leeks lengthwise and wash thoroughly under a running tap. This washing is important because soil always collects between the layers near the top.

Cut the leeks into two-inch sections and pop them into a large pot with a large onion thinly sliced, one stick of celery cut in one inch sections and two peeled carrots thinly sliced.

Cut all the meat from the ham bone and cut into medium-sized dice and add, with the bone, to the pot. The bone should be cleaned off and fat removed and discarded.

The meat and vegetables should now be just barely covered with chicken stock, either homemade, canned or by dissolving chicken cubes in hot water in the ratio of one cube per cup of water. Bring to boil and lower to a very slow simmer.

This is a difficult dish to season because there is a lot of flavor in both the ham bone and the leeks, so all I do in the early stage is add just a dash of thyme and a dash of oregano. Don't add salt or pepper until just before serving, as ham bones are often salty and you may not need to use any in this dish.

The best plan is to taste and season at the last possible

minute and then stir and let the dish simmer covered for a minute or two to blend the seasoning.

Readers unable to use pork can turn out a magnificent variation by using veal.

Buy about one pound lean shoulder veal and ask your butcher for a nice veal bone — the knobby bones from the neck have the most flavor.

Cut the meat into medium-size dice and prepare the entire dish as I have described above. If you happen to have some nice veal stock, use it instead of the chicken stock.

Made with veal, this dish is ready to serve as soon as the meat is fork tender. The timing is not really important because I make up the dish when I'm not busy, let it simmer until it's done, then turn off the heat and allow it to cool with the bone left in to add flavor.

Then, 30 minutes before dinner, I remove the bone and bring the dish up slowly to the simmering point and serve blazing hot.

The dish can make a main course on its own, especially when it is served with crusty or garlic bread.

GARLIC BREAD

Peel three large cloves of fresh garlic (NOT garlic salt or flakes) and chop very fine and add to ½ cup butter or margarine, mix in and leave in a warm place for at least an hour for the flavor to blend.

Slice a crusty Italian or French loaf into thick slices, butter both sides of every slice, smear what's left all over the outside and wrap in foil, leaving the ends just slightly open.

Bake in a 375 degree oven for about 45 minutes and serve out of the foil.

PRAISE COMES BEFORE RAISE

NEW YORK (AP) — The magazine International Management says a survey of 153 secretaries in West Germany showed that in order of importance, secretaries want praise, attentiveness and small gifts such as flowers and chocolates. Jean Werner, who conducted the survey, said that it showed recognition from the boss was more important than a pay raise.

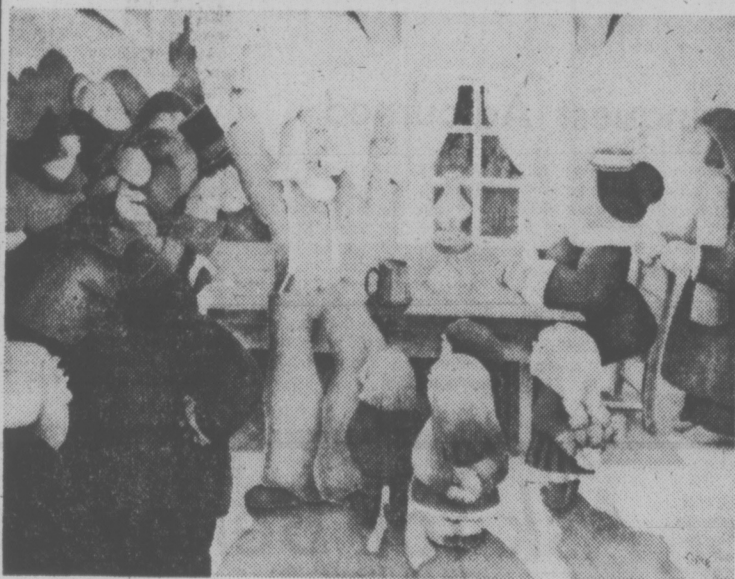
Pants Up, Down

Pants are going to all lengths this spring — from tiny shorts to knickers and culottes, and down to the ankles.



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PLUS

ALL IN THE FAMILY: Everybody needs an Uncle Harry at Christmas. The Alternatives column tells us that the trick is knowing where and how to find one.

ON THE LIGHT SIDE: Margo Oliver suggests that after a heavy Christmas meal, desserts should be light.

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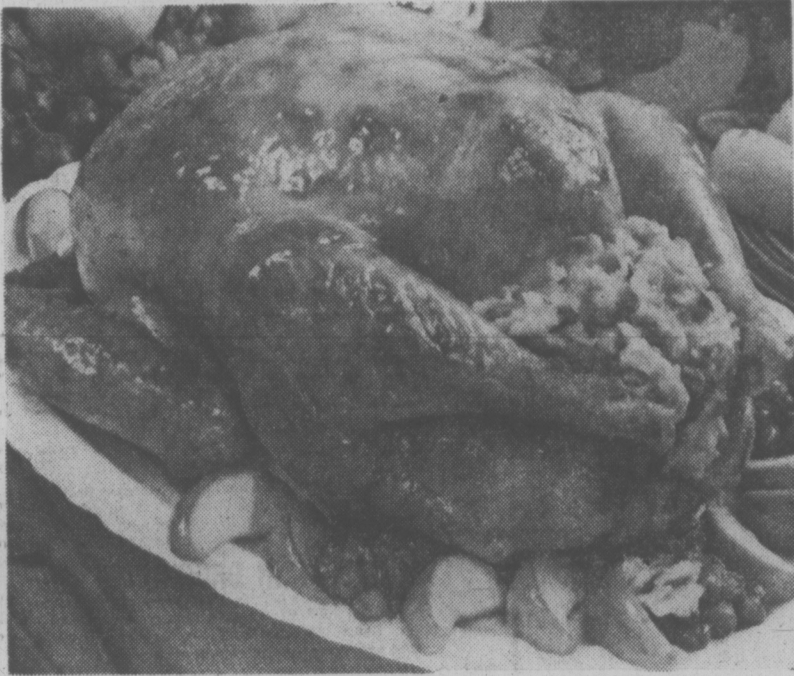
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Stuff Your Turkey

As we come closer to Christmas dinner, there will be hundreds of you who are thinking about buying, stuffing and roasting that wonderful turkey. Today I am giving the amounts for stuffing and times for roasting both a 10-pound and a 20-pound bird.

TURKEY STUFFING

(Amounts fill a ten-pound bird; double them for a 20-lb. bird—see below.)

- 1/2 c. butter
- 2/3 c. chopped mild onion (OR 1/2 c. bottled onion flakes or chives)
- 8 c. soft fresh breadcrumbs—about 12 slices
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. prepared mustard
- 3/4 c. chopped parsley (OR bottled flakes)
- 1/2 tsp. rosemary
- 1 1/2 c. either canned drained bamboo shoots or water chestnuts or washed chopped raw mushrooms or celery.

In large frying pan melt butter and gently saute onions until limp. If bottled onion flakes are used 1 minute is sufficient. Add all remaining ingredients and stir over low heat until butter is mixed through all. Cool and turn into

Mary Moore

plastic bag (see below). If desired chill.

ROAST STUFFED TURKEY

Ten-Pound Oven-Ready Bird: Dry skin of bird. Push open end of stuffing-filled plastic bag into opening and gradually withdraw bag. If you work neatly not one crumb of stuffing need be spilled. Skewer opening shut and tie wings and legs to body. Spread soft butter all over exposed skin. Place on rack in roasting pan and roast 4 1/2 to 5 hours at 325 deg. Fahr. Cover with loose tent of foil until last half hour. Bird is tender when drumstick moves easily at hip joint.

Twenty-Pound Bird: Follow directions above using doubled quantity of stuffing but roast 7 1/2 to 8 hours at 325 deg. Fahr.

Turkey Gravy: One cup makes 4 or 5 servings. Make 3 cups to serve 12 people. Measure 6 tablespoons pan drippings (fat and brown sedi-

ment) into saucepan. Add 6 tablespoons flour and stir over medium heat until smooth and blended. Add 3 cups liquid, stirring. This should be broth in which giblets were simmered, plus enough boiling water to make 3 cups. Stir with wire whip until thick. Add salt and pepper to taste. Chopped giblets may be added if desired. If gravy is not a rich brown add 1 or 2 chicken bouillon cubes and a little "gravy browning".

Diet Studied

NEW YORK (AP)—Nutrition, the science of what happens to the body as a result of diet, is being introduced to New York Medical College this year. The program will cover obesity, undernutrition, malnutrition and the relationship of diet to physical and mental development.

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Save Yule Bird For Leftovers

After the hustle and bustle of Christmas dinner, you don't usually want to think about leftovers.

But with a little planning ahead, any extra turkey can be filled into future meals in different ways. The family probably won't even notice it the second time around.

First thing to do is remove the stuffing immediately after the meal is served and store it separately. It can be refrigerated for two days or frozen up to two months. Wrap it in aluminum foil or containers or freeze in a baking dish until firm; then remove from the baking dish and wrap in freezer wrapping or bags. To serve, heat uncovered for 45 minutes at 160 deg. C (325 deg. F).

Then remove the meat from the turkey carcass leaving it in large pieces. Use the bones for making soup or broth. Remove the skin and fat and wrap the meat in aluminum foil or moisture-vapor-resistant wrappings or place in a covered container.

Cooked turkey will keep for three to four days in the refrigerator. If you plan to freeze the meat, leave as little air space as possible in the package and make sure that there are no punctures in the wrapping. Seal well all the joints in the wrapping.

Package in amounts suitable for recipes.

TURKEY BURGERS

- 3 cups finely chopped cooked turkey
- 1 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon poultry seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 2 beaten eggs
- 1/4 cup catsup
- 2 tablespoons melted fat
- 6 buttered hamburger buns
- 1 5 1/2-ounce can cranberry sauce

Combine turkey, crumbs, onion, seasonings, eggs and catsup. Shape in 6 patties. Brown in hot fat 4 minutes each side. Serve on hamburger buns with cranberry sauce. 6 servings.

Salt Beats Stain

To prevent a stain when wine is spilled on a tablecloth or clothing, sprinkle it immediately with salt, let it dry, then brush it off.

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- 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
- 3 tablespoons fat
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- Dash cayenne
- 1/2 teaspoon savory
- 1 cup milk
- 3 cups finely chopped cooked turkey
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon water
- 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs.

Saute onion and celery in fat until onion is transparent. Blend in flour and seasonings. Gradually add milk. Stir and cook until smooth and thick. Combine turkey with cream sauce. Shape into 12 croquettes. Combine egg and water. Dip croquettes in crumbs, then egg, and crumbs again. Chill 1 hour. Deep-fry croquettes 2 to 3 minutes at 375 deg. F. 6 servings.

Heater No. 1

NEW YORK (AP)—A hot water heater is the No. 1 energy guzzler, using almost four times as much electricity as the next energy-hungry appliance, the stove. The clothes dryer is No. 3, followed by the dishwasher and clothes washer.

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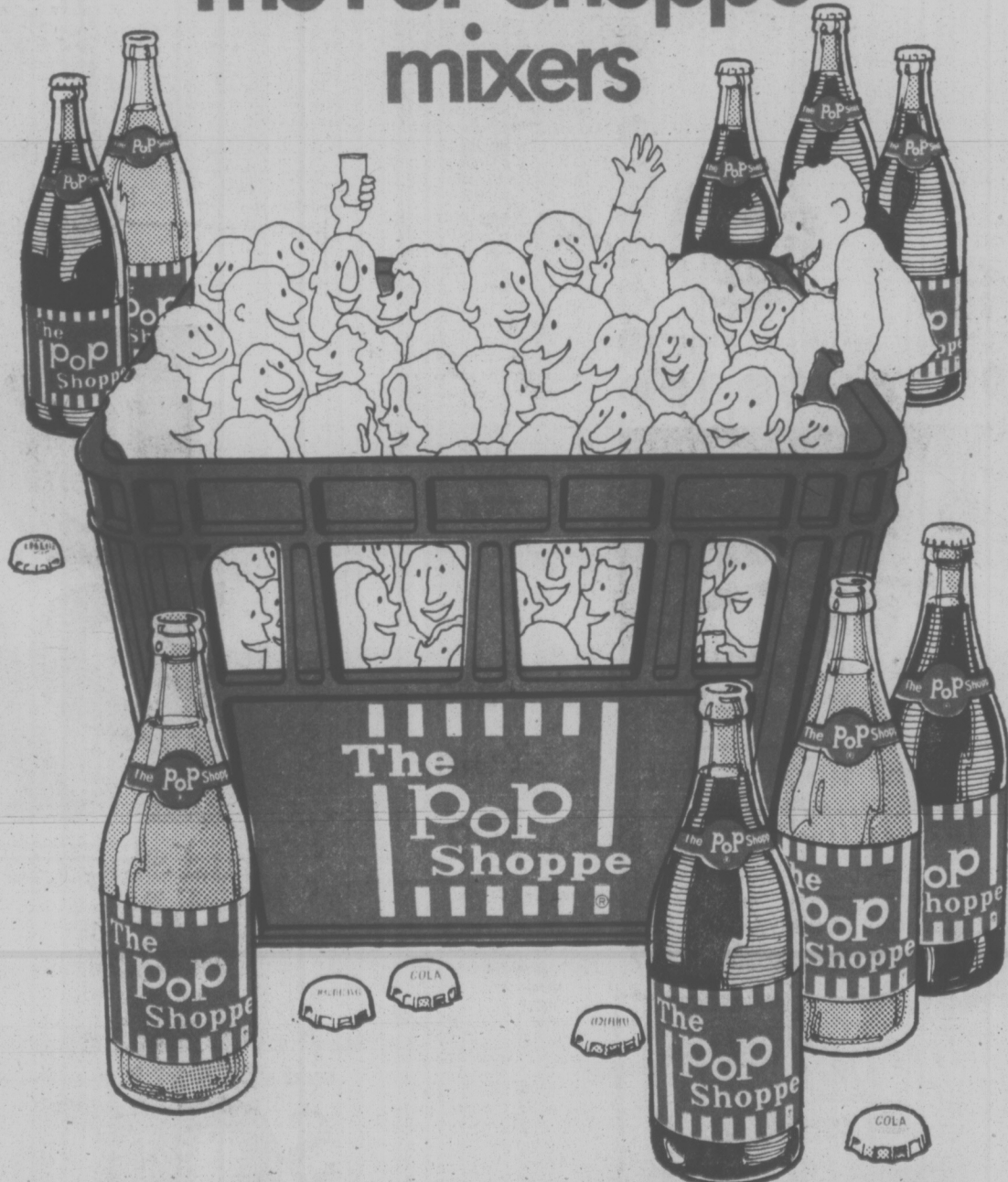


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A message from the B.C. Dairy Foundation.

Physicians' Opinions on Food Differ

By RUTH FREMES
and Zak SARRY

We receive many letters and have tried to answer them all. At times the volume of mail was so high that our answers were delayed.

Because we have an understanding readership and we don't want our mail to slow down, we will answer some of the questions that are asked frequently right here in our column. Here are two:

Dear Ruth and Zak:
I have recently been informed as the result of x-ray that I have diverticulitis. My sister, in a different city, has the same problem. My doctor told me to avoid foods with roughage such as bran and the skin and seeds from fruits and vegetables, and to use mineral oil, if constipated (which I am not). My sister's doctor, on the other hand, told her to avoid only cabbage, but to eat all other foods. Could you enlighten us on this subject? — J.S.

Dear J.S.: We do not deal in our column or in personal mail with medical problems, even when they are related to the food you eat. But, we realize the frustrations of going to a doctor who does not recognize the importance of nutrition in the treatment of disease. There has been some drastic change in the treatment of diverticulitis (inflammation of lower intestine) in recent years. We suggest that



you ask your doctor to refer you to the local hospital out-patient department for dietetic counselling.

A qualified dietician with the help of your physician should be able to tell you what foods to eat and which ones to avoid. Your sister should be the same. It might help if you show your doctor this column and the one we wrote on fibre.

Dear Ruth and Zak: May I

ask your advice regarding the following different types of margarine and which would be best to use to restrict fat intake and help prevent coronary heart disease:

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(7) A combination of 35 per cent polyunsaturates, 18 per cent saturates and 65 per cent liquid oil

(8) A combination of 27 per cent polyunsaturates, 18 per cent saturates

Butter, of course, is not to be used because of animal fat it contains. Is it worse or better than any of the above? — m.m.

Dear M.M.: You asked us to point out the best ones to "restrict fat intake and help prevent coronary heart disease." Since all margarines, and butter too, contain about

80 per cent of their weight as fat, they all give you the same amount of fat. To restrict fat intake, you have to eat less of whatever margarine you decide on buying. To help prevent coronary heart disease, you should choose a margarine that contains more polyunsaturates and less saturates regardless of the oil it is made of. So, margarines number 6, 7 and 8 in your list should be acceptable, with 6 and 7 being about equal and either of them being superior to 8.

In our recent book, *Nutri-Score*, we reviewed some research that throws some doubt about the way margarine may be processed. We suggested a recipe for blended butter, where you can mix in a blender (or without a blender, if you have patience

and elbow power) 1/4 lb. of butter and two thirds cup of safflower oil, along with one egg white and two tbsp. of powdered skim milk (to hold the ingredients together). Blended butter should be refrigerated. You can increase the oil, which is the source of the polyunsaturates, but you may have to keep the blended butter in the freezer compartment, which shouldn't be too much inconvenience. Don't forget that we are passing this advice on to the healthy and not to anyone who might have had a coronary. If you are under the care of a physician, follow his or her advice. You may show our column to your doctor and ask for referral for dietetic counselling, but always follow your doctor's advice while under treatment.

Tangerine Vodka Hits the Spot

By FRANK J. PRIAL
N.Y. Times

NEW YORK — The world loves Gary Graffman for his Rachmaninoff; his friends love him for his tangerine vodka.

This may be because so many of his friends also play the piano. Or, it may be because his tangerine vodka is something quite exceptional. But then, so are his lime vodka and his lemon vodka, not to mention his grapefruit vodka and his chili pepper vodka.

Grapefruit vodka? Gary Graffman? Why is a renowned pianist peeling grape-

fruit when he could be playing a Transcendental Etude? "It's a hobby," he explains. "A pastime. Everyone seems to like it so I keep doing it."

Flavored vodka is like one of Schumann's Kinderszenen to Graffman. As a boy here in New York in the 1930s, he sampled the vodka his Russian-born parents drank — and found it good. "They dropped a lemon peel in the bottle to flavor it," he said. "When I got to thinking about it, I said: 'If lemon, why not lime? If lime, why not orange?'"

The freezer compartment in the Graffmans' bar refrigerator holds the answers to these questions: a collection of various flavored vodkas, all prepared by the master's hand. They are served ice-cold in tiny, stemmed silver glasses from Pakistan, souvenirs of Gary and Naomi Graffman's ceaseless wanderings over the globe.

Vodka — plain vodka — is nothing more than distilled neutral grain spirits. Cheap vodka — and most vodka is cheap — has a powerful medicinal smell and a raw taste in the back of the mouth. There is a natural tendency to ameliorate the effects of this stuff with orange juice, tomato juice or anything else at hand.

The Russians and the Poles learned long ago that doctoring vodka was not such a bad idea. Zubrovka, vodka flavored with buffalo grass, and pertsovka, vodka flavored with pepper, are old favorites in Eastern Europe. They are even made commercially and imported to the United States. Perched on a stool behind the bar in his cavernous midtown apartment the other day, Graffman served a commercial pertsovka he had carried home from the Ukraine, along with a pepper vodka he had made himself.

There was no comparison. His was a big, strong, fiery mouthful that tasted more like concentrated peppercorns than something flavored with pepper. The Russian, concoct-

ing the fruit peel in a half-gallon of name-brand domestic vodka.

"You look for a good, fresh piece of fruit," Graffman said, "one with plenty of oil in the skin."

"You need the zest — the peel — of about four fruits for a gallon of vodka," he said. "I leave it in a closet, at room temperature, for about 72 hours. But that's the beauty of this thing — you can make it as strong or as light as you like."

Graffman shakes up his vodka jugs every 12 hours, then, after three days strains the vodka through a sieve into a clean bottle or into several

bottles. In Russia, vodka lovers flavor their spirits with tea, cherry pits, anise, even ginger.

For his pepper vodka, Graffman adds a bottle-capful of peppercorns, or crushed pepper to a half-gallon of vodka. The pepper throws a brownish-green deposit that must be filtered out. Like the fruit vodkas, it takes about three days to reach the strength that the Graffmans like.

To make his own aquavit, he adds about a cupful of caraway seeds, a few sprigs of fennel and a bit of lemon peel to the half-gallon of vodka. "It goes beautifully with her-

ring," Graffman said.

Graffman is one of the busiest musicians in the world. He plays a staggering schedule of concerts, flying more than 100,000 miles a year ("Someday I want to do an article on airline food," he said with a grim smile). Because they spend so much of their time in jets and motels, Gary and Naomi Graffman devote much of their precious spare time to good food and drink.

"Naomi is the serious cook," Graffman said. "I do ducks and chickens on the spit in the fireplace."

The Graffmans are enthusiastic and knowledgeable wine drinkers but they find it difficult to drink anything but vodka as an aperitif. "Everyone asks for it," he said. The tangerine vodka is probably the most popular. Like all the fruit-flavored vodkas, it is made by im-

mersing the fruit peel in a half-gallon of name-brand domestic vodka.

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DEAR SK AND JB: It's not to worry about — as long as the plant is alive and healthy.

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DEAR LYNN and JOEL: Is it necessary to put sick plants outside? Can a sick plant take energy from a well plant? As you can see, I am experiencing some difficulties. — TE

DEAR TE: A sick plant, one that is suffering from an invasion of the critters, must be isolated from the healthy plants. The disease can spread rapidly. It isn't necessary to put the plant outdoors, however. In fact, often that does more harm than good.

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Ex-ICBC BEFORE THE JUDGE Manager Convicted

NANAIMO (CP) — The former manager of an insurance Corporation of British Columbia office was convicted Tuesday on a charge of fraud against the corporation.

Ronald T. Mensing of Langley was sentenced to spend eight consecutive weekends in jail after a county court jury deliberated for seven hours before finding him guilty on a charge of fraud, and not guilty on a charge of theft.

Mensing, fired from his job with the Port Alberni branch of ICBC before the charges were laid last spring, said he plans to appeal.

He was charged after ICBC paid \$4,000 as the result of an accident claim Jan. 27, 1975, in Port Alberni.

Harry Havard of Port Alberni, one of the men reported being involved in the collision, testified that he and his car were out of town on Jan. 27, 1975, and that he lied to ICBC investigators about being involved in the accident because of his friendship for Mensing.

Giovanni Seno, the other party involved, has not been located.

Evidence showed that an ICBC draft was cashed and given to Mensing, who testified that he gave the money to Seno in the presence of witnesses — one of whom testified he had never seen Seno.

BOOK OUT ON OYSTERS

A guidebook designed to help oyster farmers get the best harvest possible has been published by the marine resources branch of the department of recreation and conservation.

Entitled a Guidebook to Oyster Farming, it also contains useful information for the public. It sells for \$2. It was written by Dr. D. E. Quayle and D. W. Smith.

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Shop Got Car Parts in Alberni

A Port Alberni auto body shop owner said Tuesday he purchased nearly all his body parts from inside the city.

Lyle Kidd, president of C and M Collision Repairs Ltd., estimated he spent \$75,000 a year on parts and accessories between 1967 and 1972.

Of this, about one-third was for foreign cars not represented locally and about \$10,000 was for parts available from a number of outlets.

Asked what part of the \$40,000 remaining was spent on body parts ordered in Port Alberni, he said "this money had to be spent in Port Alberni. That's where it would have been spent."

Asked if he spent any of the

\$40,000 buying body parts outside Port Alberni, he said "very little of it."

He was testifying in the seventh day of the trial of five Port Alberni car dealerships accused of restraint of trade under the Combines Investigation Act.

The defence was expected to conclude its case today, in the trial being heard by Mr. Justice J. G. Ruttan in the B.C. Supreme Court.

Accused in the three-count indictment are Chatwin Motors Ltd., Katila Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Ltd., (formerly Grant Katila Motors Limited), Western Motors Ltd., Old Brothers Motors Limited and Meyers Holland (Port Alberni) Ltd. The last two companies have merged into Western Motors.

Kidd said replacement panels for body repairs could be obtained from companies other than the franchise dealers of specific car manufacturers and he had made some purchases, from outside Port Alberni.

He agreed he dealt considerably with Chatwin Motors, located next door to his body shop, which did not have its own body shop.

Katila Chevrolet-Oldsmobile was a competitor of his firm's because it had a body shop. In addition, Kidd said, Katila Chevrolet-Oldsmobile tried without suc-

cess to get his parts business.

Between 1967 and 1972, he said, the parts return policy at Chatwin Motors didn't really change. Sometimes he was charged for late return of unused parts and sometimes not, he said.

Generally, he said he wasn't penalized for returned parts except big items and this was to cover freight payment to ship the part back to Vancouver.

He said Chatwin Motors was his best customer and steered work to him. He said Western Motors was "favoring" Custom Auto Body because its small body shop couldn't handle all the work.

Kidd recalled seeing a 1968 announcement by the Alberni Valley Motors Dealers Association of a three per cent freight levy and a 1969 association announcement on parts return.

He said the former parts manager of Chatwin Motors

told him around 1968 or 1969 that the franchise car dealers in Port Alberni were levying a 10-per-cent surcharge because of rising costs and other reasons and it would apply to sheet metal parts.

Kidd said he was told freight costs increased at that time so that it could cost \$15 to ship a \$1 panel into Port Alberni.

He said the three per cent freight levy wasn't enough to compensate for increasing freight costs and part of the reason for the 10 per cent surcharge was freight.

"It was common knowledge among the trade that this was happening," he said.

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10% Hike Common: Dealer

VANCOUVER (CP) — A car dealer spokesman said Tuesday that a 10-per-cent surcharge is added to suggested retail prices for auto parts because it is easy to multiply by 10.

A survey by a local newspaper shows that most Vancouver-area car dealers add the surcharge.

Five Port Alberni car dealerships which added a 10-per-cent surcharge are being tried in British Columbia supreme court in Victoria on charges under federal combines legislation. They are charged with restraint of trade.

The 10 per cent is most common, "not because of any

arrangement among car dealers," but because the mathematics of applying it are so simple," said a spokesman for Jim Pattison Ltd.

The surcharge is not a recognized policy in B.C., dealers surveyed said, but it is virtually universal.

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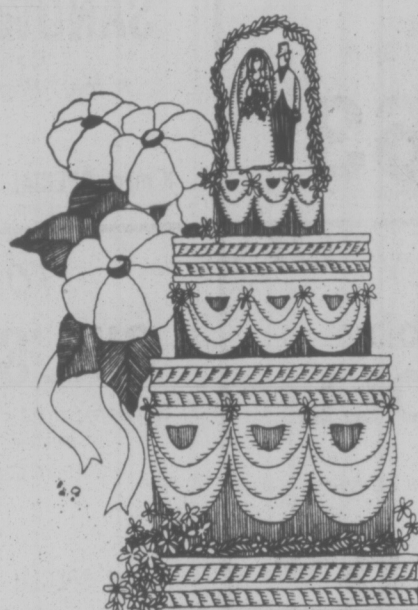
NEW YORK (UPI) — The publisher of the Nation magazine said today the previously announced sale of the liberal journal to Thomas Morgan, former editor-in-chief of the Village Voice Weekly, has been cancelled.

suggested list prices apply at the same rate across the country," said Ken Dale, executive vice-president of the Automobile Dealers Association of Greater Vancouver.

"I can only comment that there is a wide variance of real cost between parts on the Atlantic coast nearer the plants that make the parts and those on the Pacific coast."

All dealers contacted by the newspaper said they added 10 per cent to manufacturers' suggested retail prices.

"It's both simple to apply and seems to provide a reasonable margin of profit," said the parts department manager of one city auto dealer.



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Chretien Denies Recession Fear

By DAN FORTIER
Times Ottawa Bureau
OTTAWA — Industry Minister Jean Chretien has rejected suggestions that Canada may be heading into a mini-recession next year.

He told the Commons on Tuesday that while the government was concerned about the economic situation he did not believe a recession was coming even if economic growth next year might not surpass that of 1976.

Chretien was replying to questions from Lincoln Alexander (PC-Hamilton West)

who asked if the minister accepted the mini-recession forecast of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

Alexander also noted the report Monday of the Conference Board in Canada which expressed concern that the Canadian economy was "going into a stall" in 1977.

The government's concern about the economy, Chretien said, was shown in the recent announcement of winter programs to create jobs in light of a high unemployment rate in Canada.

Opposition questioners did not mention the Economic Council of Canada report which was more optimistic than that of the Conference Board.

The ECC forecast more jobs, less inflation and stronger economic growth in the next three years whereas the Conference Board predicted higher unemployment and only modest economic growth in 1977.

Sinclair Stevens (PC-York-Simcoe) continued the opposition's attack on the govern-

ment's economic performance by quoting a Swiss publication saying Canada's rating as a place for investment had suffered.

According to a Credit Suisse financial letter this was due in part to "the imposition of our productivity hampering wage and price control program and arbitrary bureaucratic procedures at Ottawa," he said.

Chretien shrugged off this assessment saying "I do not agree with this statement by a person living in Switzerland."

Irving Probe Cost \$187,432

OTTAWA (CP) — The government spent \$187,432 on non-governmental services in an unsuccessful prosecution of the Irving newspaper interests in New Brunswick under anti-combines law, the Commons was told Thursday.

In a written response to New Brunswick MP Robert Howie (PC-York Sunbury) about costs, the government said it paid \$174,335 to prosecuting lawyer William Hoyt and \$12,467 to Joseph Scanlon, a journalism teacher at Carleton University, Ottawa, who served as consultant.

The payments included fees and expenses. Witness Winifred Johnston received \$630.

The total excludes costs of personnel in the department of consumer and corporate affairs, who conducted the case during five years in courts of New Brunswick and the Supreme Court of Canada.

Authorities involved in the case have estimated over-all costs for both sides at up to \$500,000.

The Commons reply said government personnel made two foreign trips in connection with the case, one to Washington and another to Bermuda. There was no explanation.

EASIER ENTRY FOR EPILEPTICS

OTTAWA (CP) — The Commons approved in principle Tuesday a bill that would enable epileptics to gain citizenship in Canada more easily.

The bill, proposed by Les Benjamin (NDP—Regina-Lake Centre), is to be referred to the Commons committee on broadcasting early in 1977. The committee has handled changes in the Citizenship Act that are to be proclaimed in February.

Liberals and Conservatives expressed support for the Benjamin bill but said committee study is needed.

MPs Back Atom Check

OTTAWA (CP) — The Commons unanimously approved a motion Tuesday advising the auditor-general to check the books of an agent involved in the sale of a nuclear reactor to South Korea by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.

But the motion also says the auditor would not report on other business dealings by the agent—United Developments Inc. of Tel Aviv—unless they involve the federal government or any of its other agencies.

The motion came only hours after Auditor-General J. J. Macdonnell told the Commons public accounts committee that he could not guarantee that other information found in an audit of the United Development books could be kept confidential.

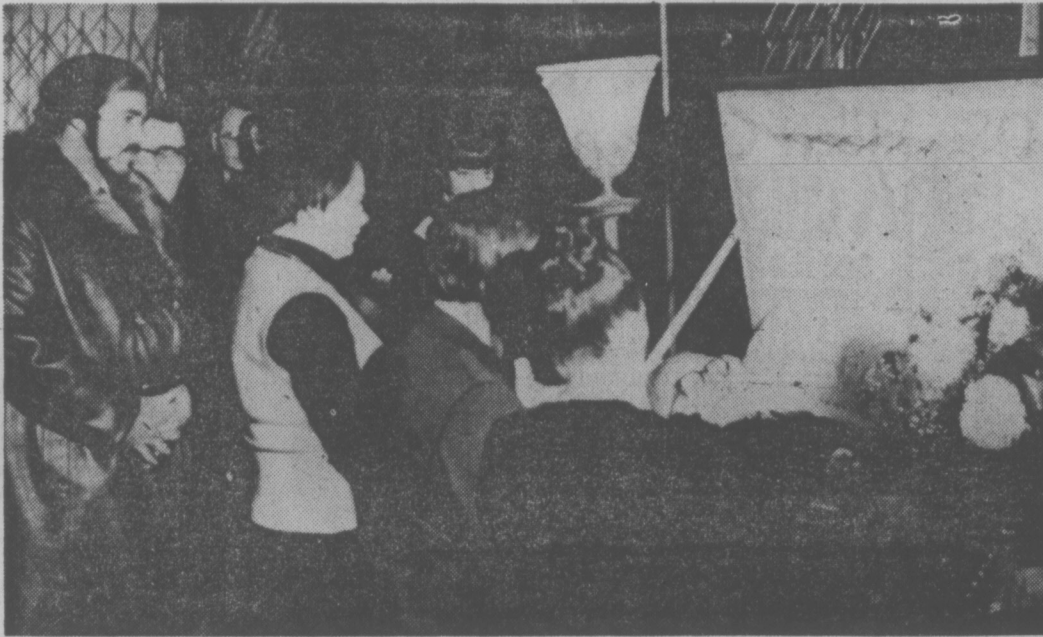
Macdonnell told the committee he was a servant of Parliament and if such questions were asked he would be obliged to answer.

Involved in the case is an earlier report from the auditor saying there is insufficient documentation to back \$8.1 million of the \$15.4 million already paid to United Developments for promoting a sale to South Korea.

The Tel Aviv company offered to have its books checked by the auditor, but said any information not involving the AECL sale should be kept confidential.

Rod Blaker (L—Lachine-Lakeshore) said the only way around the problem was a motion in the House saying that the auditor would not be expected to answer such questions.

The amendment was accepted by the House, although Blaker said he feared it could result in United withdrawing its offer.



FINAL FAREWELL to former Social Credit leader Real Caquette is made by members of his immediate family prior to funeral services Tuesday in Rouyn, Quebec.

Blood Tests on Indians Show High Mercury Level

NINTH HOLIDAY BILL INTRODUCED

OTTAWA (CP) — Legislation that would add a ninth national holiday to the list of statutory breaks was introduced Tuesday in the Commons.

The new holiday would fall on the third Monday in February and would be called National Heritage Day.

The holiday would not be binding on provinces, but five provincial governments have already passed legislation to

give citizens the day off once the federal proposal becomes law.

The legislation would also rename the July 1 holiday Canada Day. The anniversary of Confederation now is called Dominion Day.

And it would change the name of the May holiday known as Victoria Day — after the late Queen of England — to the Queen's or King's birthday.

OTTAWA (CP) — Dangerously high levels of toxic mercury are still being found in bloodstreams of Indians living on northwestern Ontario's mercury-contaminated English-Wabigoon River system, federal testing has revealed.

Of seven persons tested at Grassy Narrows Reserve in October, five had blood-mercury levels between 100 and 200 parts per million ppb, says a health department report released Tuesday.

At Whiteford Reserve, tests on four persons showed that all had levels above 80 ppb and two were above 100.

The normal human range for toxic mercury in the blood is zero to 20 ppb. The health department considers levels higher than 100 a health risk while the National Indian Brotherhood, which has a substantial mercury research program, says prolonged levels above 50 are dangerous and over 100 critical.

All 11 of the people tested on the two reserves, about 325 miles west of Thunder Bay, had levels above 30 ppb.

Test results released two weeks ago showed 55 per cent of 18 persons checked at Grassy Narrows had levels above 20 ppb and three were above 100. At Whiteford, 90 persons were tested and seven were above 20 ppb, and one over 100.

High levels of toxic mercury can cause Minamata Disease, named after the Japanese chemical town where dozens have died and hundreds have been maimed by mercury poisoning.

A health department spokesman said Tuesday the tests are part of a continuing program to monitor mercury in bloodstreams of reserve residents. Tests for which results were released three weeks ago and Tuesday involved different people.

The mercury gets into the blood from eating contaminated fish from the river system. Some reserve residents

continue to eat the fish despite federal warnings.

However, Indian leaders say it is impossible to convince their people to stop eating the fish when white sports fishermen angle in the English-Wabigoon and eat their catches.

However, the white fishermen are tourists who might build up high levels of mercury, but for only the short time that they are visiting the area.

Indian leaders have asked the Ontario government to close the river system to all fishing, but it has refused. Commercial fishing was banned about six years ago, when the mercury contamination was first revealed.

The mercury came from the Reed Paper Ltd. mill and chemical plant at Dryden, Ont. The company stopped using mercury about one year ago but it has been estimated that the river will not clear for 80 years.

Israeli-Bound Soviets Winding Up in Canada

OTTAWA — An estimated 3,000 Soviet Jews, ostensibly emigrating to Israel, have wound up in Canada over the past three years, according to Dr. Joseph Kage, executive director of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada.

They are among the 70,000 Jewish emigrants, given travel papers to Israel by Soviet authorities since 1970, who have chosen to go elsewhere, chiefly the United States.

The issue is a ticklish one because of Soviet reaction at some future point.

The USSR does not recognize the possibility that some of its citizens might prefer another country.

And it issues exit visas to Soviet Jews on the understanding that they are going to be reunited with their families in Israel.

Israel and Jewish organizations, especially, in the United States, are concerned that the diversion of Jews supposedly going to Israel and then winding up elsewhere, could lead to a Soviet halt of the emigration.

Dr. Kage said the question was not a new one. It has been and will continue to be a matter of debate within the Jewish community.

The Soviet Jews come to Canada and the United States in two ways.

Some go, as planned, to Israel, then migrate elsewhere. Others apply for landed immigrant status in Canada as soon as they leave the Soviet Union. And, like the many others who go directly to the United States, they wind up there without touching Israel.

Since 1970, about 130,000 Jews have left the Soviet Union. But current emigration, according to Dr. Kage, is reduced dramatically from what it was in the early years

of the decade.

He estimated that currently about 1,000 Jews a month are being permitted to leave the Soviet Union.

But it is not only Jews who get the exit permits to Israel. The Soviets are also using the device to get rid of dissidents.

Earlier in 1976 Andrei Jarmalik, a writer, who is not a Jew, and his wife, who is a Moslem, were given exit permits to Israel and compelled to leave Russia. The Jarmaliks wound up in the Netherlands.

A Soviet Jew leaving with an exit permit for Israel becomes, in effect, a stateless person.

Such migrants are not allowed to keep their Soviet passports or other citizenship papers.

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Protest Greets Swap

By HELLA PICK
Manchester Guardian

LONDON — The Soviet Union's decision to exchange Vladimir Bukovsky for Luis Corvalan, with its implicit concession that it holds political prisoners, has provoked a storm of angry criticism from Western Communist parties. They are attacking the Soviet Union for its lack of respect for human rights, and telling the Russians that they have no right to consider themselves the guardians of the Communist conscience.

The French, Italian, and British parties have all seized on the swap to criticize the Soviet Union in stronger terms than ever before for its failure to permit open democratic debate. They are also emphasizing the difference between themselves and the Soviet party, and reaffirming their commitment to free speech and democratic choice of government.

The Italian Communists are the most outspoken. Immediately after Bukovsky's release Saturday, the Communist party paper "Unita" said that Bukovsky's release underlined "the strains of great country that lived through a revolution... and its task of extending its achievements to the field of civil liberties of personal freedoms that are still denied." This week the criticism became much more direct. In a front-page editorial, "Unita" said it "was inadmissible that people should be imprisoned for crimes of opinion."

The Italian Communists are deeply unhappy that the Soviet Union, in agreeing to negotiate with Chile, has by its own admission equated a Communist freedom fighter like Corvalan with Bukovsky. This exchange emphasizes "the limitations of freedom which exist in the Soviet Union, and expose the Soviet Union to the possibility of such swaps."

The Italian Communists are unhappy that "implicit in this exchange are the political motives for Bukovsky's detention."

The French Communists are equally angry. Party leader Georges Marchais, who was among those who campaigned for Bukovsky's release, has now said that Bukovsky had been imprisoned "for expressing opinions contrary to those of the Soviet government." He considers it "inadmissible that bargaining should have taken place between a Fascist and a socialist government." But his unhappiness stems mainly from his view that the Soviet Union should have opened itself to such bargaining because it deprived its own citizens of their human rights. The French Communists were struggling for "a socialism that does not compromise on the question of liberty."

Writing in the current issue of "Foreign Affairs," Jean Canapa, one of the French Communist party's ideologists, draws the distinction with the Soviet Union and writes that the French party "is pledged to uphold and extend all the rights and liberties gained by the French people over centuries."

The British Communist party argues that Bukovsky's release confirms the imperfections of the Soviet system. In an editorial, "The Morning Star" wrote that "the establishment of Socialism in the Soviet Union had not meant the end of political differences." Socialism, it concludes "would be strengthened, not weakened, by an end to the use of repressive and administrative measures, including exile, to answer political dissent in the Soviet Union and other socialist countries."

The Soviet people have been kept ignorant of this criticism by the fraternal parties. For indeed, as of this week, they had not been told of the exchange between Corvalan and Bukovsky, and only knew that the Chilean leader was now free and in the Soviet Union. A triumphant public rally in Moscow had to be postponed, apparently because of bad weather. But the Soviet evening paper "Izvestia" carried a front-page photograph with headlines "Welcome Comrade Corvalan."

Order Revoked

NEW DELHI (UPI) — The Indian government has revoked an order to a prominent national daily newspaper to appoint government-nominated directors to its management board, an official of the newspaper said today.

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PATERSON, N.J. — Robin (Hurricane) Carter, whose campaign for a new trial attracted such personalities as Bobby Dylan and Muhammad Ali, was convicted Tuesday night for a second time in the shotgun murder of three men 10 years ago.

The one-time contender for the middleweight title and co-defendant John Artis sat stunned, and family members and spectators broke into loud sobs as the jury foreman read the verdict: Guilty of three counts of first-degree murder.

Judge Bruno Leopizzi immediately revoked the defendants' bail and ordered them held at the county jail pending a bail report Friday. He set sentencing for Feb. 2.

Both men, who have already served nine years in jail, could be sentenced to life imprisonment.

"The jury couldn't see through the obvious racism in this case," said Artis' lawyer, Lewis Steel. He said the defendants could not get a fair trial because the prosecution introduced evidence that the

killings were racially motivated.

"He (Carter) reacted in pain," said Myron Beldock, Carter's lawyer. "He is in the same pain as we are."

Both lawyers said they would appeal.

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Virus Victim Recovers

LONDON — A British scientist who contracted a deadly virus known as "green monkey disease" at a secret research laboratory was allowed home Tuesday after 40 days in total isolation. Geoffrey Platt, 43, was stricken with the disease, which has killed hundreds in northern Africa this year, when he nicked a protective glove with a hypodermic needle containing the virus.

WINDSOR, England — Emil Savundra, 53, a key figure in a noted fraud case a decade ago, died at this home here Tuesday. In 1966 his curate insurance empire collapsed, leaving 400,000 drivers without insurance coverage. He served six years of an eight-year jail sentence for conspiracy to defraud.

VACAVILLE, Calif. — A correctional counselor says mass killer Charles Manson should be kept indefinitely at the California medical facility because he could "flip out" at any time. "We feel he is lucid, but he can flip out, either on purpose or otherwise," said Edward George, administrator of the unit in which Manson, 42, has been undergoing psychiatric study. "He's happiest when he's left alone."

CHICAGO — Gene Chandler, a rock 'n' roll singer best remembered for his early 1960s hit record "The Duke of Earl," has been sentenced to one year in prison on charges he sold heroin to an undercover federal drug agent. Chandler, 36, whose real name is Eugene Dixon, pleaded guilty to federal charges of selling a total of 450 grams on two different occasions. After his release, Chandler will be on probation for three years.

ATLANTA — A U.S. district court judge sentenced William Williams, convicted of the 1974 kidnapping of newspaper editor Reg Murthy, to 40 years in prison Tuesday. Judge William O'Kelly reduced by 10 years a temporary sentence he had imposed in September. At that time, O'Kelly ordered a psychiatric review and said he might shorten the sentence in three months. Williams, who has already served nearly three years, will be eligible for parole in 1980.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — Hotel magnate Conrad Hilton, 87, took out a marriage license Tuesday to wed Mary Kelly, 61. It would be the third marriage for Hilton, whose second wife was Zsa Zsa Gabor, and the first for Miss Kelly, a sales representative for United Airlines. There was no indication where and when they would be married.

MALIBU, Calif. — Julian Hammer, son of multi-millionaire oil tycoon and art patron Armand Hammer, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of receiving stolen property. Sheriff's deputies said investigations of recent burglaries in the wealthy Malibu area led to the home of Hammer, 47. There, deputies said, they found a \$200 antique dagger and a \$25 ring.

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BIRTHS

ANDRES - Born to David and Kathy on December 13, 1976 at Victoria General Hospital, a girl, Janet Kathleen, weighing 10 lbs. 12 oz. and 20 in. long. J. Campbell and maternity staff.

BERTRAND - Born to Brian and Susan on December 17, 1976 at St. Joseph's Hospital, a boy, 7 lbs. 3 oz. and 19 in. long. Dr. J. Campbell and maternity staff at Royal Jubilee Hospital.

CHRISTIE - Born to Roy Christie and Julie Holden, a boy, Gabriel Adam, 8 lbs. 5 oz. on December 16, 1976 at St. Joseph's Hospital for Florence and David Holden.

FRIEND - Born to Steven and Mary on December 19, 1976 at Royal Jubilee Hospital. A little sister for Maxine. Mary thanks to Dr. Hughes and nurse Schmidt.

DEATH and FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS DIRECTLY FROM THE FUNERAL HOME CLASSIFIED

14 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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EMERALD FLASHETTES BATON. The Emerald Flashettes Baton will be held at the Emerald Flashettes Baton on Monday, December 28, 1976. Tickets: \$4.00, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.00, \$24.00, \$26.00, \$28.00, \$30.00, \$32.00, \$34.00, \$36.00, \$38.00, \$40.00, \$42.00, \$44.00, \$46.00, \$48.00, \$50.00, \$52.00, \$54.00, \$56.00, \$58.00, \$60.00, \$62.00, \$64.00, \$66.00, \$68.00, \$70.00, \$72.00, \$74.00, \$76.00, \$78.00, \$80.00, \$82.00, \$84.00, \$86.00, \$88.00, \$90.00, \$92.00, \$94.00, \$96.00, \$98.00, \$100.00. Please call 386-2121 for more information.

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QUADRA RECREATION CENTRE. The Quadra Recreation Centre will be held at the Quadra Recreation Centre on Monday, December 28, 1976. Tickets: \$4.00, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.00, \$24.00, \$26.00, \$28.00, \$30.00, \$32.00, \$34.00, \$36.00, \$38.00, \$40.00, \$42.00, \$44.00, \$46.00, \$48.00, \$50.00, \$52.00, \$54.00, \$56.00, \$58.00, \$60.00, \$62.00, \$64.00, \$66.00, \$68.00, \$70.00, \$72.00, \$74.00, \$76.00, \$78.00, \$80.00, \$82.00, \$84.00, \$86.00, \$88.00, \$90.00, \$92.00, \$94.00, \$96.00, \$98.00, \$100.00. Please call 386-2121 for more information.

PART TIME. The Part Time will be held at the Part Time on Monday, December 28, 1976. Tickets: \$4.00, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.00, \$24.00, \$26.00, \$28.00, \$30.00, \$32.00, \$34.00, \$36.00, \$38.00, \$40.00, \$42.00, \$44.00, \$46.00, \$48.00, \$50.00, \$52.00, \$54.00, \$56.00, \$58.00, \$60.00, \$62.00, \$64.00, \$66.00, \$6

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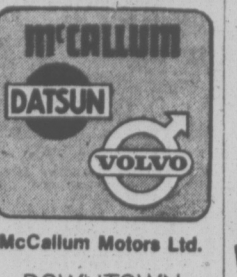
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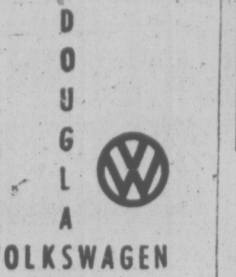
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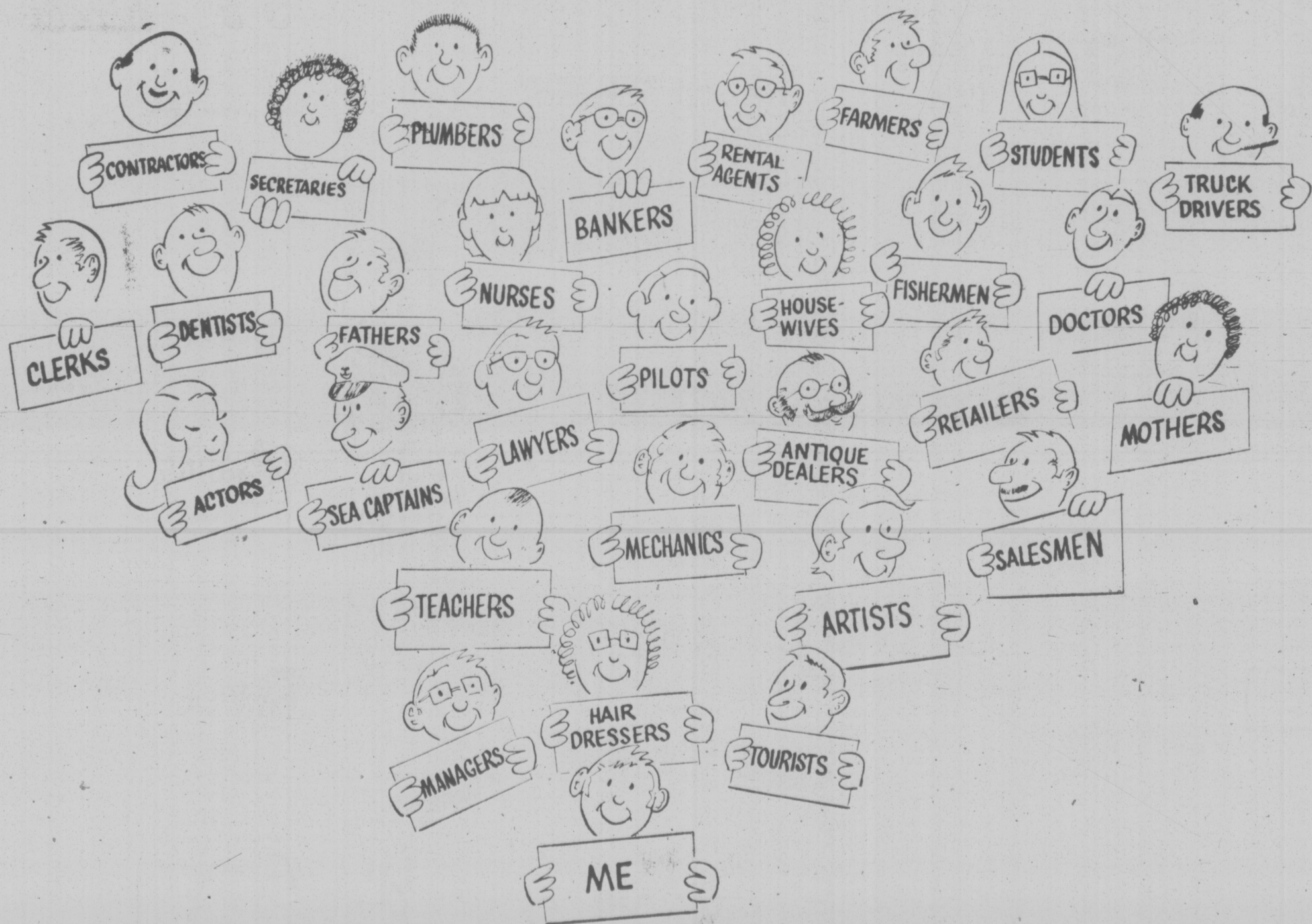
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Plans, specifications, contract and form of tender may be seen at the offices of the Board, 479 Island Highway, Victoria, B.C., and one copy may be obtained on payment of the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars which will be refunded on return of the document in good condition.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Greater Victoria Water District,
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**NOTICE OF SALE
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Pursuant to Mechanics Lien Act WHEREAS Stew Sephton is indebted to the undersigned for the sum of \$885.90 for work done and materials supplied in the repair of Dodge, Charger RT 1969, W527L9G190537, no licence, and the said sum ought to have been paid, and default has been made in the payment thereof, notice is hereby given that on Tuesday next, the 4th of January, 1977 at 12 o'clock noon, (a date not less than two weeks after the date of publication of this notice) at 9139 East Saanich Rd., in Sidney British Columbia, the said motor vehicle will be sold by private sale.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
FREDERICK MUSGRAVE DUNCAN, Deceased, late of No. 810-548 Dallas Road, Victoria, British Columbia.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above deceased are hereby required to send them to the undersigned, MARTIN, JAWL & BUNDON, P.O. Box 850, Victoria, B.C., by the 17th day of January, 1977, after which date the Executors will distribute the said estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.

DATED this 7th day of December, A.D. 1976.

MARTIN, JAWL & BUNDON
Solicitors for the Executors of the above Estate.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ERNESTINE DOHAN, Deceased, late of No. 211-2151 Haultain St., Victoria, British Columbia.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above deceased are hereby required to send them to the undersigned, MARTIN, JAWL & BUNDON, P.O. Box 850, Victoria, B.C., by the 17th day of January, 1977, after which date the Executors will distribute the said estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.

DATED this 7th day of December, A.D. 1976.

MARTIN, JAWL & BUNDON,
Solicitors for the Executors of the above Estate.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDWARD MICHAEL WILSON, TEACHER, LATE CARE OF POST OFFICE BOX 4003, STATION "A", IN THE CITY OF VICTORIA, PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of Edward Michael Wilson are hereby required to send them to Pauline Irene Tuttle and Dennis Gary Tuttle, 2915 Phyllis Street, Victoria, British Columbia, Executors, before the 20th day of January, 1977, after which date the Executors will distribute the said estate among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.

DATED at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 7th day of December, 1976.

Pauline Irene Tuttle and
Dennis Gary Tuttle
Executors
By their solicitors
Achter, Laughton &
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APPLICATION FOR
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NO. A.T.C. 1809/68 (NS) Airwest Airlines Ltd. is authorized to operate a Class 3 (upgraded to Class 2 by decision No. 4992 dated November 15th, 1974) specific point commercial air service using fixed wing aircraft in Groups A, B and C serving the points Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo, Nanaimo and Duncan/Quamichan Lake, B.C.

The licensee has now applied for authority to also serve Victoria International Airport by substituting the point Victoria, B.C. for Victoria Harbour under the above mentioned licence.

On request to the committee, further particulars of the application will be provided.

Any person interested may intervene to support, oppose or modify the application in accordance with the Canadian Transport Commission general rules. An intervention, if made, shall be endorsed with the name and address of the intervenor or its solicitor and two (2) copies shall be mailed or delivered together with any supporting documents to the acting secretary, Air Transport Committee, 275 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N9 with copy of the intervention and documents served upon the applicant or its solicitor not later than January 19th, 1977.

The name and address for service of interventions is:
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The applicant or its solicitor may, by a reply, object to an intervention or may admit or deny any or all of the facts alleged in the intervention. A reply, if made, shall be signed by the applicant or its solicitor and two (2) copies shall be mailed or delivered to the acting secretary, Air Transport Committee, 275 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N9 with a copy of the reply served on the intervenor or his solicitor within ten (10) days after receipt of an intervention.

Proof of service shall be made by declaration under oath and filed with the acting secretary.

The committee will not receive any intervention or reply filed out of time unless the party making same satisfies the committee that he could not have done the same within the time specified for reasons beyond his control.

W. H. Kane for a/secretary Air Transport Committee.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
WINIFRED DRANSFIELD WITHERSPOON, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the estate of Winifred Dransfield Witherspoon, deceased, late of 2119 Chambers Street, Victoria, British Columbia are requested to send full particulars of such claim to the Executor, Anne Irene Wright, in care of Cumming, Richards, Underhill, Fraser, Skilling, Barristers and Solicitors, 530-880 Douglas Street, Victoria, British Columbia, on or about the 14th day of January, 1977, after which date the assets of the estate will be distributed, having regard only to claims of which the said Executor shall then have had notice.

ANNE IRENE WRIGHT
Executor
CUMMING, RICHARDS,
UNDERHILL, FRASER,
SKILLINGS
Solicitors for the Executor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND OTHERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MALCOLM SILIMAN MCLEAN, deceased, formerly of No. 80, 2911 Sooke Lake Road, in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that creditors and others having claims against the Estate of the above deceased are hereby required to send them to the undersigned Executor, at 1205 Broad Street, Victoria, B.C., on or before the 20th day of January 1977, after which date the Executors will distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they then have notice.

MARJORIE GERTRUDE GRAY
and
RODERICK DAVID MCLEAN
Executors
By their Solicitors,
WILSON, HITCH & EASDON,
Victoria, B.C.

Christmas Bells By the Hundreds From Foundry

By ROSEMARY FITCHER

BRESLAU, Ont. (CP) — Hundreds of bells which will ring in the New Year from Newfoundland to British Columbia were built in Canada's only bell foundry in this town, two miles north of Kitchener.

More than 5,000 bells ringing at sea, in church belfries, on fire trucks and schools were built at the Stoermer Bell Foundry over the last 45 years.

The foundry is a family business run by Herwarth Stoermer, 41, grandson of Christian Stoermer who founded the family bell foundry in Erfurt, Germany, in 1886. In contrast to his father Carl and his grandfather, who maintained a staff, he works alone.

The foundry was established in Canada in 1928 when Carl Stoermer emigrated to Kitchener and opened a small shop in the basement of his home. The present Breslau foundry was built in 1958.

At that time, Stoermer bells had already become well known in North America and most Canadian warships had been equipped with them. The largest bell cast at the foundry weighed 2,500 pounds and hangs in a church in Dunnville, Ont.

But the demand for church bells has fallen off drastically.

"I haven't made a church bell in seven years," Mr. Stoermer said. "Either they are not building churches or churches without bells."

At least one of the Stoermer bells hangs in a Jamaican church and others in the United States.

"I used to play in the sand on the foundry floor when I was about six, dreaming of the day I would make big polished bells like my father," he said.

Mr. Stoermer learned the business from his boyhood. "I'm still learning, too," he said. "Every bell is different."

He starts work at 7 a.m. at one of his five furnaces. They weigh from 100 to 1,200 pounds. Scrap metal is piled in big heaps in the corner.

He makes a secret alloy from the metals for the smaller bells.

"As a result they don't break," he said.

The formula was perfected by his father and is unknown in any other foundry. It will be passed on to his son, Chris, 11, named after his great-grandfather. The boy is already showing a keen interest in bell making.

Ship Pollution Checked by Air

MONTREAL (CP) — A team of airborne pollution fighters is making regular flights along the St. Lawrence River to see whether ships are dumping excess oil or garbage into the waters.

James Aspin, senior surveyor in the ship safety section of the Coast Guard's Montreal office, says the waste-makers have been curbed since the flights began eight years ago.

"Before we began these flights, there were numerous cases of ships dumping the excess oil from their bilges overboard," Mr. Aspin said. "We don't get as many now."

"Canada has a tough reputation as far as ship pollution is concerned and we plan to keep it that way."

Four foreign-owned ships have been fined a total of \$36,000 so far this year, and three more cases are pending.

Three were fined for oil pollution while the fourth was ordered to pay \$1,000 for throwing bags of garbage overboard.

Since the transport department began keeping statistics on ship pollution in 1968, the courts have dealt with 147 vessels and about three-quarters of them have been convicted.

"Before 1971, the maximum fine was only \$5,000, so a lot of ships' masters practically ignored us," Mr. Aspin said.

"They were quite ready to plead guilty and have the companies pay the fine."

Now the maximum fine is up to \$100,000 and many captains have stopped polluting the river, he said.

The reason some still take the risk is that it saves them carrying the oil that always collects in the bilges. More cautious captains wait until they leave territorial waters before emptying the used oil.

A reporter who was aboard a recent flight of a coast guard DC-3 along the St. Lawrence observed that ships were keeping the waterway clean.

But riverside paper mills and other large plants were pumping gallons of effluent into the water and air.

Near Trois-Rivieres, 80 miles northeast of Montreal, long trails of white waste oiled into the river and stretched for miles downstream. Above the city, the sky was thick with smoke and the pungent odor of sulphur was so bad that it seeped into the cabin of the DC-3.

The smoke was so thick around Sorel, 45 miles north-east, that at times the city could barely be seen 750 feet below.

There is little the coast guard officers can do about this type of pollution.

Mr. Aspin explained: "Our function is only to see that the ships don't pollute the river, or if they do, then prosecute. "If our men see other types of pollution we contact the environment people (Environment Canada), but it's out of our hands."

Phone Rate Increase Detailed

B.C. Tel's application for an across-the-board increase in rates would push the basic monthly charge to \$8.45 from \$7.35 in Saanich and to \$7.65 from \$6.65 in Victoria.

Rates vary in each urban area because of B.C. Tel's policy of charging on the basis of how far the customer can phone toll-free and how many phones he can reach.

The average Victoria toll-free call covers a shorter distance than the average call in Saanich.

While basic rates would go up 15 per cent, long distance charges would rise about 10 per cent in the new schedule.

In addition, the cost of installing a new phone would go to \$28 from \$18 — or to \$15 from \$12 if the repairman does not have to visit the premises. B.C. Tel estimates the actual cost of a visit-installation at \$60 to the company.

Hearings on the rate increase application will be held by the Canadian Radio-TV and Telecommunications Commission. No date has been set but citizens and companies have until Feb. 15 to make written submissions.

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Jails, Hospitals Plan Mountainous Holiday Menus

By AB KENT
Times Staff

Christmas behind bars and under institutional sheets will be brighter for 1,500 men, women and children of the capital region.

These are some of the people who because of circum-

stances will not spend Christmas at home.

But cooks and dieticians of jails and hospitals are planning mountainous menus for Christmas dinners at least the equal of most "outside" festive feasts.

For some prisoners there will be special leave enabling

them to spend all or part of the holiday with family or friends, and in the hospitals every effort will be made to discharge patients who are able to leave full-time nursing care to be with their families.

At William Head medium security penitentiary about 35 out of 148 prisoners will qual-

ify under the temporary absence program for up to three additional days away from the institution.

Last year, across Canada, better than 99 per cent of the federal convicts let out returned on time.

Of 95 prisoners at Wilkinson Road jail, about 15 will have special leave on the holiday.

At Jordan River camp, perhaps five of the 40 inmates will be released for up to four days.

At the Juvenile Detention Home — essentially a remand centre for family court — an effort will be made to dispose of most cases, but perhaps half a dozen boys and girls — as last year — will be inside on Christmas Day.

For them it will be a day as much like a Christmas at home as the staff can make it. Many rules will be suspended, such as smoking and getting-up time.

"They can do pretty well what they like, except leave the building," a member of the staff said.

There will be films and games, a big brunch, Christmas trees and a full turkey sit-down dinner with boys, girls and staff around one big table.

In the adult institutions there have been some special events already, with others to be held between Christmas and New Years. Things like children's parties, choir music, hand concerts and social evenings.

At William Head there will be four films shown on Christmas Day, the auditorium is decorated, extra TV privileges extended and visitation expanded.

But for sheer volume it may be hard to surpass the menus planned for inmates at Wilkinson Road, an otherwise dismal, turn-of-the-century lock-up.

Here's what prisoners will eat Saturday:

Breakfast — orange juice, corn flakes and milk, fried eggs, bacon, toast, marmalade, coffee and extra servings.

Noon — Christmas dinner: fruit cocktail, roast turkey, giblet gravy, sausage meat dressing, cranberry sauce, roast potatoes, creamed potatoes, peas, plum pudding with hard sauce, milk and coffee.

Supper — buffet with cold ham, cold beef, pickles, potato salad, tossed green salad, Christmas cake, mandarin oranges, milk and coffee.

In addition, there will be snacks and coffee at 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 if the men can tear themselves away from the movies.

They will watch Cary Grant in the 1958 Hitchcock thriller North by Northwest, or take part in cards and chess tournaments.

New Year's Eve they get to see The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich, followed Jan. 1 by Blowin'.

Lights out rules are lifted for the weekend at Jordan River camp, where the young inmates may sit up late watching TV, see a film Christmas Eve or play tournament games.

Christmas Day will see a buffet luncheon and turkey dinner and trimmings at 5 p.m. On Boxing Day and the following day there will be open house for visitors.

Visitors will play a big role in the hospitals, such as Queen Alexandra Hospital for Children where about 40 of the 50 patients will be confined Christmas Day.

They will get their stuffed stockings about 6 a.m. at bedside, at 8:30 will be church service, and at 10 they will rally round the Christmas tree for Santa's visit.

At 11:15 it will be the children's turn to get stuffed on turkey and trimmings, then spend the rest of the day with parents and playing with the Santa loot.

Across the peninsula at Glendale Hospital there have been parties at each of the 13 lodges through the month. Christmas Day will be fun day, culminating with Santa's visit to each lodge.

Off-duty staff make it a practice to join in the games and festivity leading up to Christmas dinner with favors, candy and cheer.

Similar concern is shown for the elderly residents of Tillicum Lodge nearby, with 125 patients, only a few of which go out to the homes of family.

Arrangements to cook about 24 turkeys have been made by the catering department at Royal Jubilee Hospital, where some 400 patients will be fed Christmas Day, including Memorial Pavilion and the Eric Martin Institute.

Each tray served in the wards at noon will have a Christmas decorated menu, a novelty cracker and candy basket, along with the roast turkey, oranges, mince tarts, plum pudding and hard sauce.

For the evening meal, a change of pace featuring seafood casserole, grilled ham, cold cuts and a special dessert with shortbread.

Christmas dinners also will be served to student nurses and visitors in the Harmony Room cafeteria, with soft music playing through the loudspeakers.

In the nursery, new mothers will get a Christmas morning surprise in keeping with the special decorations.

Victoria General expects to serve 250 turkey dinners in its cafeteria, with as many patients as possible taking part. The orthopedic and other bedridden patients will be served on trays in their wards.

For hundreds of men and women scattered throughout the region, Christmas is just another working day mulling essential services — standing watches aboard the weather-ship Quadra 900 miles away

Cost of 12 Days Rises to \$15,000

SEATTLE (AP) — Inflation has taken its toll of the 12 Days of Christmas.

Romantics who go in for such things as turtle doves, and six geese a-laying will find this year about \$2,000 above that in 1974.

A Seattle Times reporter did a comparison between this year's cost and that of two years ago. In 1974 the price was about \$13,000. This year's final tally was about \$15,000.

A partridge would cost about \$7 with a pear tree selling for \$10. That's \$17 for the first item.

Turtle doves run about \$30 a pair, and three French hens are about the same at \$15 each.

Four calling birds — say mynahs — cost about \$250 each for a total of \$1,000. Two years ago, they were \$300.

Five golden rings? A downtown jewelry store had some for \$250 each — the same as last year.

"Of course," the woman at the counter said, "they can go up to as much as \$12,000."

Six geese-a-laying would put you out \$30 each now, when they were only \$10 apiece two years ago.

Nice swans cost about \$200 each, so that would be \$1,400 for seven.

The eight maids might give you some trouble. The gallant Englishman who prepared the original list for his lady love in the 1770s probably had enough sense to keep the cows around. He thus would not have had to spend \$700 a cow to restock the herd.

However, just feeding eight of them would cost about \$2 a day, or \$1,440. Inside-to-do the milking earn about \$80 each, so it's \$960. The lowest possible cost of eight maids a-milking would be \$2,100.

How about nine pipers piping? Local pipe bands say they would play an engagement for about \$150.

The First Chamber Dance Company says it could provide 10 ladies dancing — as well as 11 lords a-leaping.

The ladies come to \$3,100, and the lords to \$3,410.

However, throw in the cost of administration, 15 per cent or \$326.50; \$310 for a costume designer and wardrobe master; \$400 for an artistic director; \$205 for a stage manager and \$280 for a technical director.

That brings your 10 ladies and 11 lords up \$8,341.50. Two years ago, they cost \$2,100.

Twelve fiddlers from the Seattle Symphony agreed to fiddle for only \$500.



SITE VENERATED as the birthplace of Christ in Bethlehem, as seen from the bell tower of a Greek Orthodox church. The basilica was built above a cave. Behind is the Catholic church.

Serviceman Saved Boy, Reunite 30 Years Later

WINNIPEG (CP) — A Winnipeg ex-serviceman and a Frenchman whose life he saved in the Second World War have been reunited after 30 years.

After D-Day in June, 1941, Leo Carpenter, then 39, was a craftsman assigned to rescuing vehicles that had "drowned" during the invasion because of faulty water-proofing.

Mr. Carpenter and the other engineers set up their repair shop in a tiny French inland village, Fontaine-Henry.

There he met six-year-old Guy Chretien.

"I remember this boy because my tent was right behind his family's house," Mr. Carpenter said. "He lived with his mother and sister. His father was a prisoner of war in Germany."

Guy was critically ill. He suffered from what the French called "maladie des abris", a type of pneumonia brought on by hiding in damp, cold caves during bombardments.

Guy's mother appealed to Mr. Carpenter to do something for her boy. But, he said, "I didn't know if I could do anything for him, because we needed all the medicine for our own soldiers."

The medical officer agreed to examine the boy when he noticed Guy's deteriorating condition.

"I took the boy to the medical officer's tent. The officer checked him and he told me if we didn't do anything, he wouldn't live."

"He told me that if I wanted to keep the boy alive, I was to keep him in my own tent and not let him go back to the caves."

Mr. Carpenter kept Guy in his tent for two weeks, administering the medicine that the medical officer had given

him. To keep the boy occupied, he repaired a two-wheeled scooter in the engineers' repair shop.

When the boy returned to his mother shortly before the engineers left Fontaine-Henry, Mr. Carpenter gave him his dust goggles and mess cup.

After the war, Guy Chretien began trying to find his Canadian benefactor to thank him for saving his life.

He assumed Mr. Carpenter, a French-Canadian, was from Quebec. But his letters to the Quebec government yielded no clues.

He wrote to the federal government, too, but Mr. Carpenter said, "Ottawa told him it was like looking for a needle in a haystack."

Moreover, the French people had referred to him as "Carpentier", so that for much of his search, Mr. Chretien was spelling the name incorrectly.

His perseverance finally paid off when he tracked down a Leo Carpenter in Winnipeg after consulting the Veterans Administration.

In July, 1975, Mr. Carpenter received a letter from the Veterans Administration asking if he remembered a Guy Chretien from France.

"I knew right away," he said.

He wrote Mr. Chretien and received an immediate reply. "He told me about his scooter. He said, I saved his life. He remembered everything, that little devil!"

Mr. Carpenter wrote back to Mr. Chretien, now the father of two boys and an auditor for a trucking firm, and said he would be back in France for the 1976 memorial service commemorating D-Day.

When Mr. Carpenter arrived, Mr. Chretien had no trouble recognizing him at the airport.

"He just walked up to me. I

was looking around for him and he tapped me on the shoulder and said, 'Leo Carpenter?'

"They've got funny ways over there. They kiss you on one side and then on the other. So he did that. And then his wife came up to me — she'd never met me — and she kissed me twice the same way."

Both men attended the June 6 memorial service. The next day there was another service, at Fontaine-Henry. Its purpose was to honor Craftman Carpenter. The townspeople named a square in the town "Place Canadien" in his honor and put up a plaque.

"After 32 years now, said Mr. Carpenter with a broad smile, "he still has that scooter and my dust goggles and mess cup."

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CRIME UP 2% IN U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The increase in serious crime in the United States in the first nine months of this year was the smallest of any corresponding period since 1972. Atty. Gen. Edward H. Levi announced.

Levi said crime in the nine-month period was up only two per cent from the 1975 level.

Last year, serious crime rose 11 per cent in the first three quarters over the 1974 rate, which in turn was 16 per cent higher than the rate in 1973.

The figures were contained in uniform crime reports compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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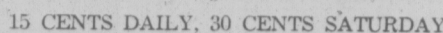
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LONDON (UPI) — A thief in Harrods department store stole an Iranian woman's handbag containing jewelry worth more than \$510,000, police said today.

The theft occurred Tuesday while Mrs. Homayoun Mozandi and her two children were lunching in Harrods restaurant, police said.

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Painters Union, on strike since Monday, settled its contract dispute Tuesday with Construction Labor Relations Association.

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Olympic Committee confirmed today that it had signed a "co-operation" agreement with a United States trading company for the American television rights to the 1980 Summer Games in Moscow.

LONDON (CP) — The House of Commons approved the Labor government's plans to reduce public spending \$4 billion despite a rebellion by 67 leftwing Labor MPs.



Olive Diefenbaker, 78-year-old wife of former prime minister John Diefenbaker, died at 10:30 a.m. PDT today at her home. Mrs. Diefenbaker was released from hospital Tuesday to spend Christmas at home. She had spent most of the last three months in hospital, suffering from a serious heart illness.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Homer Stevens, president of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union, Tuesday accused federal fisheries officials of covering up multinational deals on high seas fishing within Canada's new 200-mile offshore limits.

Stevens, elaborating on a statement last week that Fisheries Minister Romeo LeBlanc and his senior aides are pulling a giant hoax on the people of Canada, said he has come into possession of restricted documents which show a conspiracy.

Stevens said the minutes of a meeting of the fisheries

management executive committee in Ottawa Sept. 16-17 emphasized that problems encountered in negotiations between the countries must not be disclosed to newsmen because of the impact the news might have on bargaining.

Under the negotiations with various countries fishing the high seas, stocks which are surplus to Canadian requirements are being allocated elsewhere.

Stevens argues that the stocks are not surplus and should be harvested for Canada. Fisheries scientists say the species involved, mostly roundfish, are not being caught by Canadian fishermen because there is no market for them here.

McGeer, who is responsible for the Insurance Corporation of B.C., announced the review after an outcry from the agents.

A cabinet order-in-council dated Nov. 25 effectively reduced the agents' commission from a total of \$27 million in 1976 to \$21 million in 1977.

The move was taken without negotiation with the Insurance Agents' Association of B.C.

"The government's action is high-handed," said John McTavish of McTavish Insurance Agencies of Victoria.

"This is a serious loss for the agents," he said. "It means a 20 per cent reduction in income."

The reduction in commis-

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FOUR-WINGED FLYER took to the air above Golden Gardens in Seattle under control of Steve Tomaso, 20, who finds weather ideal for kites.

Canadian banks today announced the mortgage interest rate would be reduced to 0.75 per cent from 11.25 per cent effective Jan. 1. The move came after the Bank of Canada reduced its rate half point Tuesday.

The prime lending rate will be cut to 9.25 per cent from 10.75 per cent and consumer loans are expected to fall below the 13 per cent level.

Toronto-Dominion and the Royal Bank were the first to announce reductions this morning but others are expected before week's end.

The Royal has reduced its prime lending rate to 9.25 per cent effective Friday while the T-D rate will go to 9.25 per cent on Tuesday.

Both banks will reduce the interest they pay on non-queuing savings accounts to 4.75 per cent from 7.5 per cent, effective Jan. 1.

He said there appeared to be no reason for concern despite forecasts by some bankers that the rate drop may push the dollar down to 95 cents.

Tanker traffic officials say rough weather and sea conditions, like those that contributed to the break-up of the tanker Argo Merchant on the East Coast, generally are not factors in the spill.

It is very rare that a tanker will lose all its oil . . . in this area," said Cmdr. Bill Perry, chief of the Marine Environmental Branch of the U.S. Coast Guard in Seattle.

He said that the technology has been developed to contain an oil spill as large as three million gallons in the state's inland waters.

Tanker traffic officials agree and say there is no talk of relieving consuls could be combated by ships in Puget Sound.

Gov.-elect Dixy Lee Ray said Tuesday night that oil tanker traffic on Washington's implementing existing laws, ship traffic control systems and use of American ships and crews in U.S. waters.

"Naturally, I'd prefer it didn't happen, but we don't have to assume that the decision to allow the ship to have to stop using oil or stop shipping it in tankers," she said.

An angry 46-year-old Grand Forks man arrived in Victoria today to protest the lack of restrictions on trappers setting "killer" Conibear traps.

S. C. Buttram brought with him grisly evidence of the need for tougher controls — the frozen carcasses of two dogs.

Buttram, who told The Times "I'm one mad SOB," stomped into the provincial wildlife office on Wharf Street and as shocked employees looked on, dumped one of the dogs on the floor.

The animal, a purebred Treeing Walker, had a box-

Buttrum said the two dogs were valued at about \$2,000. Buttrum said both dogs were killed about nine days ago on a trapline near Grand Forks, one in a trap set three feet from a road, the other in one set five feet in.

Wildlife officials, who had been warned Tuesday Buttrum would be arriving, hastily ushered him to a basement room where he met John Bandy, assistant director of fish and wildlife.

The meeting lasted about five minutes, with Buttrum, arguing there should be more regulations covering traplines, and Bandy and other officials

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Who would think that Victoria General Hospital at Sengkareng Hospital in Indonesia have much in common — but they do.

They share money problems. Don't go away yet because there are some fascinating contrasts.

Here it's been a question of where we're going to build a new Victoria General, for about \$40 million, a hospital which will have an operating budget of about \$20 million a year from the start, where care of each patient will run about \$100 a day.

But in Victoria we like to talk in numbers when we talk hospitals — no blood, no tears, no pain, no talk backs.

Sengkareng Hospital in Indonesia is called the "waste-basket" hospital because it doesn't refuse entry to any patient and collects the old, the abandoned and those beyond hope. A mobile unit picks up the desperately ill and the dying and takes them to Sengkareng.

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One year ago today, a nervous, serious Bill Bennett was sworn in at Government House as the 28th premier of British Columbia.

Tuesday, a more confident and relaxed Bennett recounted the high spots and the low of his first year in office.

The year ahead isn't going to be easy, the premier said, but he still promises a balanced budget and no tax increases.

"We have at least turned the economy around," he declared. But he also issued a warning to organized labor in the province.

With the major forest industry contracts expiring in mid-year, he says, there is more than ever a necessity for people to make fewer demands, to "hold the line."

At the informal coffee-and-Christmas-cake news conference in his office Bennett covered a range of topics ranging from the gaffes of his government to the future of Canada.

"I'm more confident and comfortable after one year than I was in the helter skelter of forming a government just before the Christmas season," the premier said.

That "helter skelter" time produced some of Bennett's

more memorable moments — hurried overnight trip to Ottawa for the new premier and one of his rookie cabinet ministers to talk about price controls, dealing with the massive labor disputes and juggling insurance rates.

Those first few days in over-put it also the days, as Bennett put it, "that our government became noted for some of our greatest one-liner affairs."

At least one small measure of success, the premier said, came on Tuesday. "I haven't heard of a single thing that any one of us has said wrong."

The one-liners plagued the government for a long time.

First there was Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm, the author of the ill-famed line that welfare recipients had better find shovels.

Vander Zalm was followed by Education Minister Pat McGeer, the man in charge of the Insurance Corporation of B.C., who told motorists that they couldn't afford the new increased insurer rates, they should sell their cars.

Bennett says that communication with the public and the press has been his greatest failure, during the war.

"Our early moves were not all explained and they were misunderstood," he says.

But he still swears the rate hike was justified and that we didn't overreact, the public did."

"In retrospect, it was uncomfortable for us," but we have had a full airing about that car insurance is all about."

On the subject of the NDP, the premier ranges from guarded individual-praise to lightous anger.

Dave Barrett is a strong rider, he says: "He is the party."

"Barrett has a lot of expertise in the house, and without him the opposition would be poor."

Barrett, when asked to

after a year he would stop blaming all financial problems on the NDP, launches into a campaign-like speech.

"They'll carry the blame for what they did in this province as long as they still have one member in that party."

"It took a lot of years to build up confidence in the province and it was destroyed very quickly."

"They were irresponsible and incompetent. They'll never, ever be entirely blameless."

Bennett says he's happy with the choices he made for his cabinet, despite some

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JOBLESS LOGGERS NOT COMPLAINING

PORT ALBERNI (CP) — Although 2,500 loggers are out of work they are not complaining because they have enjoyed one of their best years in recent times, an International Woodworkers of America spokesman said today.

Earl Foxcroft, president of IWA Local 185, said a logging shutdown is not abnormal for this time of year, but some workers could face hardship if logging does not begin early in January.

The major forest companies announced the layoffs in November, which they blamed on poor-market conditions and high inventories.

Foxcroft said inventories are high but companies are taking a chance that bad weather will not stop logging

in the first months of the new year.

Jim Jarmson, president of Local 686 of the Canadian Paperworkers' Union, said MacMillan Bloedel pulp and paper operations at Port Alberni are scheduled to shut down for a few weeks starting Wednesday.

He said the shutdown will bring no hardships and is accepted by most of the workers.

"They are not losing that much," he said.

"Our people aren't complaining at all."

The local union officials' comments differ from those made by Vancouver-based union chiefs when the layoffs were announced.

IWA regional chairman Jack Munro said at that time the layoffs were unnecessary and out of the ordinary.

\$15.5M Ferry Grant Sought

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Premier Bill Bennett said Tuesday he will make every effort to extract a \$15.5 million a year subsidy from Ottawa for all B.C. salt water ferry routes.

But the people who this time precipitated the long-standing fight between Ottawa and B.C. — the residents of Ocean Falls — are going to have to wait until the two governments settle their differences before they see any improvement in their ferry service.

The federal government early this fall cancelled its annual \$4 million subsidy to Northland Navigation, the private company which had been operating the ferry service to Ocean Falls and other mid-coast communities.

After Northland cancelled its service, the provincial government arranged some interim routes, but the mid-coast residents are unhappy with the solution.

Bennett indicated again Tuesday that all mid-coast routes will remain in their chaotic state until the federal government comes through with some money.

The premier repeated the argument of successive governments in B.C. since the ferry service was instituted 20 years ago that east-coast ferries receive subsidies, while the west coast must go it alone.

East coast ferries, the premier said, received \$108 million this year from Ottawa, while the west coast this year received only \$4 million and, with the cancellation of the Northland grant, will get less than \$1 million next year.

Bennett calls the east-west gap a "shocking disparity" that he means to correct.

B.C. wants Ottawa to pay half of the annual operating deficit of all B.C. ferries and highways department ferries operating in salt water on the coast.

This year's bill to Ottawa, under that formula, would be \$15.5 million, with the province picking up the other half of the tab.

In a telegram to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau Tuesday, Bennett urges the federal government to help the province provide better ferry service in B.C.

"In doing so, you will not only be serving the best interests of our taxpayers, but you will also be agreeing to a financial formula which will stand up for years to come," the telegram says.

Bennett said he has asked for a meeting Jan. 10 in Victoria with the four B.C. federal cabinet ministers — Len Marchand, Iona Campagnolo, Ron Basford and Senate leader Ray Perrault — and hopes they will carry his message back to the prime minister.

DRINK CONTROL TRIED BY 1,829

VANCOUVER (CP) — A detoxication worker was one of 1,829 people who used a new downtown detoxication centre during its first 10 months of operation, the provincial alcohol and drug commission said in a news release Tuesday.

In addition, five doctors also looked in voluntarily to try to control their excessive drinking.

The release said drinkers in the following categories used the centre:

Accountants, 23; armed forces, two; business, self-

employed, 26; managerial, 63; supervisors, 33; foremen, 25; chefs or cooks, 65; dentists, two; detoxication worker, one; doctors, five; executives, six; housewives, 69; lawyers, three; optometrists, one; unspecified workers, 285; pharmacists, one; retired, 10; secretaries and office workers, 33; skid road alcoholics 338; skilled trades, 339; social workers, 19; students, four; teachers, seven; university staff, two; unskilled labor 311; veterans 74; veterinarians, one.

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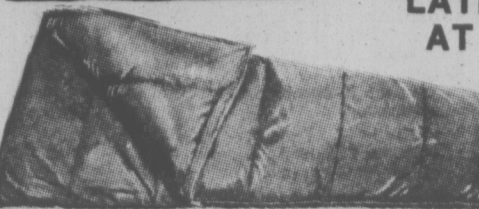
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North Quadra Area Community Plan Set

A basic community plan for 208 acres in north Quadra was adopted Tuesday by Saanich council's lands, planning and housing committee.

The committee will recommend that minimum lot sizes in the area be set at 7,000 square feet. The whole area will be declared a development area and developed under land-use contracts.

Also to be declared a development area with 7,000-square foot minimum lots is the adjacent Lucas Avenue property.

Municipal planner Gil Laursen told the committee 44 acres will remain as open space, eight acres will be used for a school site, 19 acres for townhouses and the remaining 137 acres for single-family homes.

Laursen said the plan is expected to produce a population of 2,217 in some 228 townhouses and 511 single-family homes.

The plan also calls for use of B.C. Hydro right-of-ways as open space links, pedestrian links and retention of certain low-lying areas for ponds and runoff purposes.

The planner said impost fees would be levied to pay for park areas.

"If there is no impost fee, we can't afford roads and parks," chairman Ald. John McDonald said.

Ald. Joe Bourque said he is "delighted to see townhouses included in the plan."

"At least two developers are ready, once we have prepared these guidelines, to come forward with specific proposals," Bourque added.

The committee will also recommend the 46 acres behind the Royal Oak Inn, belonging to the Isherwood family, be declared a development area.

The Isherwoods propose to build 489 apartments in the area but municipal administrator Bill Tremayne said that declaring a development area doesn't commit council to the apartment proposal.

"All you're really doing is saying, in effect, that there will be some change," he informed aldermen.

CABLE TV HEARINGS

Licence renewal hearings for cable television companies in Saanich and Salt Spring Island will be held Jan. 25 at the Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver.

Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission said Monday interventions must be submitted by Jan. 10.

Licences for Davin Enterprises Ltd., serving Saanich Peninsula, and Salt Spring Cablevision (1972) Ltd., expire Sept. 30.

Details of renewal applications may be obtained at company offices, 4525 Viewmont, and by writing to Box 409 Ganges, respectively, or at the CRTC Pacific region office, 1050 West Pender, Vancouver.

Ten Mile Point's Prevost Hill will be declared a development area, Saanich council's lands, planning and housing committee decided Tuesday.

Owners of the 70-acre property, Broadmead Farms Ltd., are proposing a development of about 82 single-family homes and 124 multiple units, consisting of townhouses and apartments.

Municipal planner Gil Laursen described the project as "an extremely well-designed plan" but warned that less than half the area is within the sewer district and an extension is unlikely.

He also warned of the massive servicing costs the development would generate.

"We believe that the development area can be designated at this time but in the full understanding that it may be extremely difficult to negotiate any land-use contracts elements until the servicing difficulties are resolved," Laursen cautioned.

Broadmead director Gordon Rolston said municipal engineer Cliff Warren favors having an independent engineer employed to make a study and recommendations on how problems of servicing in Ten Mile Point can be solved.

Rolston said his company would underwrite the costs of the survey, which would benefit the whole area and not just the Broadmead property.

He said he had met 20 members of the Cadboro Bay "Ratepayers' Association's executive who were conversant with his plan. He admitted, however, he hasn't been in touch with them for four months.

"Michael Owen who organized a petition (against the project) has now withdrawn it," Rolston said.

Rolston had promised Ten Mile Point residents he would have balloons flown at the height of the proposed apartment buildings but had been unable to find balloons or helium to do the job.

"We're going to get a boom crane with plywood sections on it for height," he said.

Mayor Ed Lum, noting the

need to develop industry and other commercial sites to increase the tax base, warned the project is "very low on the priority list."

In other business, the committee received an informal report on a housing proposal by developer Dave Spilsbury for 18.65 acres on Cedar Hill Road.

When plans are completed a public hearing will be held to decide whether a land-use contract will be approved.

Spilsbury is proposing two clusters of strata title townhouses, one of 11 units and the other of seven; 41 single-family homes and two garden court apartments, one containing 28 suites and the other 12.

INSECTS INFEST MILLION ACRES

One million acres of productive forest land in B.C. were infested by insects in 1976, according to an insect and disease survey report issued Tuesday by the Pacific Forest

Research Centre on Burnside Road.

Most damaging were root rot, mistletoe, budworms, beetles and looper.

The report states the mountain pine beetle continues to be the single most serious insect problem.

The insect has infested more than 115,000 acres of pine stands, mainly in the interior.

The spruce budworm has infested more than 115,000 acres on Vancouver Island and the Kamloops Forest District.

The report also noted the western hemlock looper is responsible for heavy defoliation of western hemlock — about 26,000 acres — in Wells Gray Provincial Park.

The diseases causing the most concern are root rot and dwarf mistletoe, the latter being a "chronic" problem.

But it observes that root rot continues to be the most serious for the island and the Lower Mainland.

Estimated volume loss to this disease exceeded 80 million cubic feet annually.

Historical Fund Aim

The University of British Columbia Press hopes to step up publication of historical books on B.C. with a fund to receive part of the revenue from sales of the book "The Reminiscences of Dr. John Sebastian Helmcken."

The work was published by the UBC Press last year.

The fund was set up by agreement among the university, the Provincial Archives and the Helmcken family.

The Helmcken book, which describes his days as a pioneer Victoria doctor, was edited by Dr. Dorothy Blakey Smith of Victoria and was the first in a series of book publications of historical documents by UBC Press.



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DISAGREEMENT ON EXECUTIVES BLAMED

Upheaval Hits Civic Unions

By PAUL MOSS
Times Staff

Within a period of less than 14 hours Tuesday, the union locals representing both outside and inside workers at City Hall had lost their respective presidents — the former through a non-confidence motion, the latter a voluntary resignation.

In both cases a difference of opinion on the executive and lack of membership support were cited as the main reasons for the changes.

Perhaps the biggest surprise was the re-emergence Tuesday night of Jim Walker, as newly-elected president of Local 50 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, representing more than 300 outside workers.

Walker quit the position only three months ago, firing

salvos of criticism at the union membership. He said then he had had enough of working for members who were mostly lazy, selfish and ungrateful.

Walker replaces Bill Doherty, who had earlier replaced him.

Local 50 vice-president Steve Powell said today the Tuesday night meeting passed a non-confidence motion in Doherty. Behind the decision lay a "difference of opinion arising from some of the events at the recent B.C. Federation of Labor convention," he said.

Powell said the disagreement basically involved him, Doherty and the third delegate to the convention, Walker. All he would say was that it concerned a "question of protocol."

(Another union source told

WALKER
... back in saddle

the Times that split developed when Doherty walked out of a CUPE caucus at the conference).

Earlier Tuesday, Dennis Burke, president of CUPE Local 388 which represents 200 inside workers, tendered his resignation. The move came only hours after a membership meeting Monday night had rejected an executive recommendation urging participation with seven other CUPE locals in joint area bargaining.

And today Jim Nelms, another member of the executive, also told the Times he would be submitting his resignation.

Both Burke and Nelms said they felt they had lost the support of the membership, and Burke referred to a "rift" on the executive involving himself and vice-president Rick Doyle.

Burke said the rejection of the joint bargaining proposal was not his only reason for resigning, but admitted that was "more or less the one that broke the camel's back."

He also attacked the apathy of a membership which generally "doesn't give a damn," noting that only 34 members attended the Monday night meeting.

Burke said it's too simplistic to conclude that two factions have emerged, one favoring a low-key individual approach to bargaining and the other organized militance.

He has always favored a slow and careful style, he said, but he is also convinced of the need for a co-ordinated CUPE approach to joint bargaining.

Doyle said the central issue is the membership's reluctance to "turn over negotiations to a small handful of ex-

ecutive types," and a basic divergence of philosophy between the Victoria inside local and some others.

"They (the members) seem to feel this would lead to secrecy and they would not be kept informed of the progress of negotiations, or able to vote on offers," he said.

"During the last negotiations they were kept in the dark by the same group of people, and that situation resulted in a lockout. We feel we can do a better job on our own."

However, the Tuesday night Local 50 meeting endorsed the area-wide bargaining proposal, a spokesman said.

He said it was considered the only practical course to take, since the municipal employers combined recently in a joint approach to bargaining under the Greater Victoria Labor Relations Association.

ESCAPERS
CAPTURED

Two men who escaped Dec. 7 from Wilkinson Road jail were recaptured early today following an 80-miles-per-hour police chase through Saanich and Victoria.

Dennis Matthew Wilson, 23, and Thomas Russell Toten, 26, were to appear in provincial court in Victoria later today charged with escape.

A Saanich police spokesman said other charges stemming from the 2.2-mile chase, may also be laid.

The spokesman said a Saanich patrol officer spotted two men in a car being driven in "an erratic fashion" as it left the Red Lion Motor Inn parking lot 3366 Douglas shortly after 2 p.m.

The spokesman said the officer thought he recognized the two occupants and attempted to pull the car over but the vehicle was driven off at speeds reaching 80 miles an hour down Douglas towards Victoria.

The officer radioed for help and a Victoria patrol car forced the speeding car back into Saanich where it was abandoned near Qu'Appelle and Hampton elementary school.

Police said one of the men was arrested immediately, the other fled on foot and was captured on the school grounds about half an hour later after officers from Saanich, Victoria and Esquimalt police departments searched the area.

Both men submitted without a struggle.

Police said the car in which the men were riding had been reported stolen.

Police
Arrest
Six Men

Break-ins, car thefts and a purse-snatching kept Greater Victoria police busy overnight.

Six men are in custody and expected to appear to provincial court later today, three charged with theft of a purse from a woman in the University Heights shopping centre and three with breaking into the Cordon Bleu Restaurant, 820 Esquimalt, early this morning.

Saanich police said a middle-aged woman reported her purse had been stolen by three men at 8:45 p.m. and within half hour three suspects were arrested, one in the Royal Oak Shopping centre, and two at the K-Mart store on Shelbourne.

The purse, which contained about \$300, was recovered.

A resident who heard the sound of breaking glass at 3:40 a.m. tipped off Esquimalt police to a break-in at the Cordon Bleu.

Three police cars, two from Esquimalt and one from Victoria arrived in time to see three men loading a car with liquor. One of the men was inside the restaurant and two in the car.

Twenty-two bottles of liquor were recovered.

Police said the restaurant had been entered after a side window was broken.

The resident who tipped police didn't give his name.

"We'd like to know who it was.... to thank him," an Esquimalt police spokesman said.

In Saanich, three cars were stolen overnight from Brian Holly Motors on Douglas. One of the vehicles was later found in Vic West where it had rammed a parked car.

In Colwood and Sooke, police have reported a rash of break-ins over the past few days but in Oak Bay there have been no such problems.

"The only problem we've been having lately is damage being done to Christmas decorations," an Oak Bay police spokesman said.



THE ROTUNDA of the Legislative Buildings does not often echo with harmonious and sweet sounds but the Christmas spirit finds its way into the his-

toric chamber when the Newcombe Glee Club, directed by Lorna Griffiths, gathers to sing carols at 12:15 p.m. each day until Christmas.

Feds' Spread Felt in City

A more than four-fold increase in office space rented by the federal government in B.C. since 1971 includes substantial Victoria accommodation.

The claim was made in a Vancouver Province story.

In the 1975-76 fiscal year federal departments leased 2.03 million square feet of area compared with only 455,381 square feet in 1970-71.

In Victoria the major leased properties cover 94,549 square feet in four downtown buildings.

Lease costs went from \$1.5 million to \$10.6 million in that time.

The auditor-general last month stated in his annual report on federal spending that federal departments make inefficient use of office space.

Most of the space rented in B.C. is in Vancouver — a total

1.18 million square feet at present compared with 242,697 square feet in 1970-71.

The public works department said a certain amount of new space has been dictated by federal decentralization policy.

Victoria properties cited in the newspaper report are Ox-

ford Development Group Ltd., 1175 Douglas, where Unemployment Insurance Commission and Regional Economic Expansion occupy 33,300 square feet; Bentall Properties Ltd., 1405 Douglas, offices of health and welfare and Canadian Coast Guard, 12,329 Square feet; Geneva Invest-

ments Ltd., 1051 Fort, housing the RCMP E Division, 27,522 square feet at a cost of \$201,387 a year and De Montigny Enterprises Ltd., 810 Fort, Canada Pension, Manpower and Immigration, 20,388 square feet, \$124,066.

A total of 196 B.C. properties are rented to the federal government, the largest being Daor Development Corp., for an annual fee of almost \$1.5 million.

Some of the principals involved in ownership of the buildings include Prime Minister Trudeau's father-in-law James Sinclair; Graham R. Dawson, George B. McKeen, Cadillac Fairview Corp. Ltd., T. Eaton Co., Toronto Dominion Bank, Allen T. Lambert, Charles R. Bronfman, Sun Life Assurance Co., H. Clark Bentall and Robert G. Bentall, the Guinness interests, Great National Land and Investment Corp., Frank Ney.

Inquest Adjourned

Testimony concerning the deaths of two elderly persons in a McKenzie Ave. crosswalk Dec. 7 will resume at a coroner's inquest Jan. 10.

An inquiry Tuesday was adjourned to permit motorist Roy Alexander Carr, 35, of Sooke, to return from a visit to relatives in California. A court officer told Coroner Edmond Jorje de St. Jorre

Carr would return to Victoria after Dec. 30.

Georgina Smith, 55, and her brother Robert Velje, 83, died after being struck by Carr's car at McKenzie and Saanich.

A mechanic testified the car was in "exceptionally good repair," had good brakes and new tires but was three months overdue for annual inspection.

Help Promised
Rat-Infested
Quadra District

The sewers are coming to a troubled Saanich neighborhood near north Quadra — and that means the rats will stop snitching apples from Mrs. James' basement.

Saanich Ald. Sandy Noel, chairman of council's public works committee, said today his aim is to get sewers into the Beckwith-Panorama-Palmside-Belvedere area by next summer.

The public works committee will ask council in the new year to advance sewerage plans for that neighborhood into the 1977 program, he said.

That will be good news for the 35 to 40 householders on those streets who have been plagued for years by faulty septic tanks discharging smelly effluent into open ditches and attracting rats.

The issue was brought to public notice again Tuesday when a health inspector, who remained anonymous, said there's a typhoid threat from overflowing sewage in the area.

Noel said today the neighbors have a legitimate complaint and Saanich has been warned about the health hazard by Dr. Allan Arnell, regional health officer.

John Ford of 4205 Panorama said the malfunctioning-septic tanks are scattered throughout the neighborhood, where most of the houses are about 15 years old.

Residents have been pestering municipal and provincial governments for action for five or six years, he said, but until now no one would commit themselves.

The rats are mainly a problem in summer but "we've seen them running across the road and they've been into people's houses."

One of the houses they've

been into belongs to Mr. and Mrs. Stan James at 4211 Panorama.

"I've had them come into the basement, steal apples and take them down the drain," Mrs. James said today.

Problems with their own septic tank system have been so severe they've had a second tile field laid and now leave the tank cover without soil over it so it can be more readily pumped out.

She said her husband collected about 95 per cent of neighbors' signatures on a petition but until now hadn't even got an acknowledgment from municipal or provincial governments.

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Q. Where can I write to find information on supertankers and the currents of Juan de Fuca Strait? P.F.

A. The central branch of the Greater Victoria Public Library at 794 Yates has some articles on oil pollution in Puget Sound as well as hydrographic charts of the Strait. It appears that you are going to have to do some research and get your material from a number of periodicals.

DRINKING DRIVERS
PLAYING IT SAFE

Victoria's drinking drivers have finally got the message.

Victoria police have conducted three major roadblocks this season, stopping 2,601 vehicles, and only two drivers were charged with impaired driving.

But the roadblocks are having another effect.

The Motor Vehicle Inspection Station in Saanich has never been busier.

Manager Vic Citra says during the past week the number of vehicles being tested has averaged 830 with one day a near record 940. The year-round average is about 600.

Citra says the average wait to take a vehicle through the test is one-and-a-half hours. About a quarter of the vehicles are rejected, no different from the year-round figure.

The inspection station is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. five days a week but on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve it will close at 6 p.m.

You Just Ask for Benny or Jim

So you think you've done all your Christmas shopping?

You're a little smug because you were an early bird and long ago you bought gifts for Archie, Gertrude, little Willie and even Aunt Dottie. And they are all wrapped and under the tree already.

But perhaps you haven't finished. Perhaps you don't need to sit at home gloating. Perhaps you could get out on those last couple of mad shopping days and pick up one or two of the smaller gifts that advertisers love to call stocking stuffers and give them to people who otherwise may open no parcels on Christmas morning.

That's right — I'm about to make another of my appeals!

With publicity and help from citizens and groups all over Greater Victoria, the Upper Room on lower Johnston Street has boomed since the Times first described the great work Benny Foster was doing with his soup kitchen

for down-and-outs just over a month ago.

Now Benny and Upper Room director Jim Palosaari are working hard to put on a dinner, with turkey and ham and all the trimmings, for anyone who is lonely and has no one to share Christmas Day. And they hope — though there will be anywhere from 75 to 100 people sitting down to their only such feast in a year — to be able to give each of them a small gift from under the tree.

And that's where you come in.

If you want to be part of the giving (and isn't that what it's all about?) you can buy a gift, wrap it and drop it into the Upper Room at 579 Johnston or phone Benny or Jim at 388-7112 and they'll have someone pick it up. Jim suggests practical things such as warm gloves and socks and sweat scarves anyone can wear. But he says that if you don't fancy venturing out into the hectic shopping crowds again, a gift of money would be appreciated just as much.

That way, he and Benny will be able to go out and buy the gifts in bulk.

The Upper Room isn't the only such place putting on a dinner Christmas Day for less fortunate people.

After an 11 a.m. service, the Salvation Army will serve a full dinner, again with all the trimmings, at noon in the Harbour Light at 516 Yates Street. And at the same time, there will be a dinner served at the Army's Men's Social Service Centre at 525 Johnston Street. But there won't be gifts given out at these two as the annual Christmas Party, when presents were distributed, was held last Saturday at the Harbour Light.

Things will start at the Upper Room at about 12:30 p.m. with a little music until dinner is served at 1 p.m. The gifts, says Jim, will probably be given out after dinner.

I popped up to the Room the other day, as I often do now, and found them frantically

getting ready for the big event.

Benny and Jim were taking turns answering the phone calls with offers to help and, in the midst of it all, Carl Hopf and Charlie Carveth happily trimmed a tree.

"We've already been promised about half the turkeys and hams we figure we'll need to feed everyone on Christmas Day," said Jim. "And we're confident of getting the rest in time. But you know, these people aren't used to getting this kind of food and when they sit down they really eat. If we get 75 for dinner it will be like feeding 15 farmers!"

Always with an eye on his superb soup, Benny pointed out that they have a freezer now and therefore no food given will be wasted. Anything left over will all go into the pot.

At the Upper Room they're delighted with the way Victorians have responded, not only in giving material things but in giving themselves.

On Christmas Day, for ex-

ample, there will be a couple of people from the Human Resources Board and others from a church action group up there acting as waiters and helpers.

"And there's a man and his wife from Esquimalt who have been spending Christmas within their own little family group for the last 30 years," said Ben. "They want to do something different this year. They read about us and asked if they could come and spend Christmas Day here, helping and mingling with the people. So it's working — people are needing each other."

"And we want people to remember that the dinner is not just for those who are down and out and living on the street," said Jim.

"We would like all those who are lonely or haven't much money to come here on Christmas Day instead of getting drunk... they are welcome."



Charlie Carveth reaches for top

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Physicians' Opinions on Food Differ

By RUTH FREMES
and Zak SABRY

We receive many letters and have tried to answer them all. At times the volume of mail was so high that our answers were delayed.

Because we have an understanding readership and we don't want our mail to slow down, we will answer some of the questions that are asked frequently right here in our column. Here are two:

Dear Ruth and Zak:
I have recently been informed as the result of x-ray that I have diverticulitis. My sister, in a different city, has the same problem. My doctor told me to avoid foods with roughage such as bran and the skin and seeds from fruits and vegetables, and to use mineral oil, if constipated (which I am not). My sister's doctor, on the other hand, told her to avoid only cabbage, but to eat all other foods. Could you enlighten us on this subject?—J.S.

Dear J.S.: We do not deal in our column—in-personal mail with medical problems, even when they are related to the food you eat. But, we realize the frustration of going to a doctor who does not recognize the importance of nutrition in the treatment of disease. There has been some drastic change in the treatment of diverticulitis (inflammation of lower intestine) in recent years. We suggest that

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you ask your doctor to refer you to the local hospital outpatient department for dietetic counselling.

A qualified dietitian with the help of your physician should be able to tell you what foods to eat and which ones to avoid. Your sister should do the same. It might help if you show your doctor this column and the one we wrote on fibre.

Dear Ruth and Zak: May I

ask your advice regarding the following different types of margarine and which would be best to use to restrict fat intake and help prevent coronary heart disease:

- (1) Made from 100 per cent golden corn oil
- (2) Made from 100 per cent pure golden corn oil
- (3) Made from 100 per cent vegetable oil
- (4) Made from 100 per cent pure vegetable oil

By FRANK J. PRIAL
N.Y. Times

NEW YORK—The world loves Gary Graffman for his Rachmaninoff; his friends love him for his tangerine vodka.

This may be because so many of his friends also play the piano. Or, it may be because his tangerine vodka is something quite exceptional. But then, so are his lime vodka and his lemon vodka, not to mention his grapefruit vodka and his chili pepper vodka.

Grapefruit vodka? Gary Graffman? Why is a renowned pianist peeling grapes?

The freezer compartment in the Graffmans' bar refrigerator holds the answers to these questions: a collection of various flavored vodkas, all prepared by the master's hand. They are served ice-cold in tiny, stemmed silver glasses from Pakistan, souvenirs of Gary and Naomi Graffman's ceaseless wanderings over the globe.

Vodka—plain vodka—is nothing more than distilled neutral grain spirits. Cheap vodka—and most vodka is cheap—has a powerful medicinal smell and a raw taste in the back of the mouth. There is a natural tendency to ameliorate the effects of this stuff with orange juice, tomato juice or anything else at hand.

The Russians and the Poles learned long ago that doctoring vodka was not such a bad idea. Zubrovka, vodka flavored with buffalo grass, and perstovka, vodka flavored with pepper, are old favorites in Eastern Europe. They are even made commercially and imported to the United States. Perched on a stool behind the bar in his cavernous midtown apartment the other day, Graffman served a commercial perstovka he had carried home from the Ukraine, along with a pepper vodka he had made himself.

There was no comparison. His was a big, strong, fiery mouthful that tasted more like concentrated peppercorns than something flavored with pepper. The Russian concoction

(5) Made from 40 per cent vegetable oil and 60 per cent animal oil and other ingredients

(6) A combination of 35 per cent polyunsaturates, 18 per cent saturates and 60 per cent liquid oil

(7) A combination of 35 per cent polyunsaturates, 18 per cent saturates and 65 per cent liquid oil

(8) A combination of 27 per cent polyunsaturates, 48 per cent saturates

Butter, of course, is not to be used because of animal fat it contains. Is it worse or better than any of the above?

Dear M.M.: You asked us to point out the best ones to restrict fat intake and help prevent coronary heart disease. Since all margarines, and butter too, contain about

80 per cent of their weight as fat, they all give you the same amount of fat. To restrict fat intake, you have to eat less of whatever margarine you decide on buying. To help prevent coronary heart disease, you should choose a margarine that contains more polyunsaturates and less saturates regardless of the oil it is made of.

So, margarines, number 6, 7 and 8 in your list should be acceptable, with 6 and 7 being about equal and either of them being superior to 8.

In our recent book, *Nutriscore*, we reviewed some research that, throws some doubt about the way margarine may be processed. We suggested a recipe for blended butter, where you can mix in a blender (or without a blender, if you have patience

merging the fruit peel in a half-gallon of name-brand domestic vodka.

"You look for a good, fresh piece of fruit," Graffman said, "one with plenty of oil in the skin."

"You need the zest—the peel—of about four fruits for a gallon of vodka," he said. "I leave it in a closet, at room temperature, for about 72 hours. But that's the beauty of this thing—you can make it as strong or as light as you like."

Graffman shakes up his vodka jugs every 12 hours, then, after three days strains the vodka through a sieve into a clean bottle or into several

bottles. In Russia, vodka lovers flavor their spirits with tea, cherry pits, anise, even ginger.

For his pepper vodka, Graffman adds a bottle-capful of peppercorns, or crushed pepper to a half-gallon of vodka. The pepper throws a brownish-green deposit that must be filtered out. Like the fruit vodkas, it takes about three days to reach the strength that the Graffmans like.

To make his own aquavit, he adds about a capful of caraway seeds, a few sprigs of fennel and a bit of lemon peel to the half-gallon of vodka. "It goes beautifully with herring," Graffman said.

Gary Graffman is one of the busiest musicians in the world. He plays a staggering schedule of concerts, flying more than 100,000 miles a year ("Someday I want to do an article on airline food," he said with a grim smile). Because they spend so much of their time in jets and motels, Gary and Naomi Graffman devote much of their precious spare time to good food and drink.

"Naomi is the serious cook," Graffman said. "I do ducks and chickens on the spit in the fireplace."

The Graffmans are enthusiastic and knowledgeable wine drinkers but they find it difficult to drink anything but vodka as an aperitif. "Everyone asks for it," he said.

The tangerine vodka is probably the most popular. Like all the fruit-flavored vodkas, it is made by im-

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indoor gardens

By LYNN and JOEL KAPP

DEAR LYNN AND JOEL:
Help! We received a crotin at our office last Christmas and since that time have not seen one new leaf, new sprout or any growth at all. We have sung to it, talked to it, told it all the latest jokes, but still nothing! What's wrong?—SK AND JB

DEAR SK AND JB: It's not to worry about—as long as the plant is alive and healthy. We suggest you do nothing 'til spring, then carefully transplant into a slightly larger pot. Massage the roots at that time and water thoroughly with a vitamin-hormone mixture.

DEAR LYNN AND JOEL: Is it necessary to put sick plants outside? Can a well plant take energy from a well plant? As you can see, I am experiencing some difficulties.—TE

DEAR TE: A sick plant, one that is suffering from an invasion of the critters, must be isolated from the healthy plants. The disease can spread rapidly. It isn't necessary to put the plant outdoors, however. In fact, often, that does more harm than good.

Set up a hospital area in your home where the sickies can be nursed back to health. A weak plant can indeed take energy from a healthy plant, just as a weak person can drain a strong person.

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